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Stricter control imposed on public sector pay

By Philip Webster and Jul Sherman

STRINGENT new controls on public sector pay and unprecedented powers for the Treasury to ensure that ministers are following the Government's spending priorities will be unveiled by the Chancellor today.

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The review bodies which set the pay of 1.3 million in the public services - including nurses, doctors, teachers and the Armed Forces - are being told that their awards must be consistent with the Government's inflation target of 2.5 per cent. And ministers have been warned that big increases in health and education spending will be tied to results, such as cutting waiting lists and smaller class sizes.

A new Cabinet "Star Chamber', reporting to the Prime Minister and chaired by Gordon Brown, is to monitor the performance of individual spending departments to ensure that they are carrying out the agreed tasks of the Government. Mr Blair is also to hold quarterly meetings with key ministers to review progress on meeting election DIEGRES ON NEWLIN. EQUICATION. CITIME and welfare-to-work.

The rigorous message on pay being put out by Downing Street and the Treasury last night was clearly designed to reassure the markets after persistent indications that today's comprehensive review will herald a massive increase in spending in priority areas over the next three years.

This was underlined when the Prime Minister's spokesman said that Mr Brown's reputation as a tough Chancellor would be enhanced by the overall settlement, the firm guidelines set for ministers and the hard choices made across. between and within departments to come up with the money. An informed source said: "We

Brown to chair Star Chamber monitoring state spending

need to balance the spending spree headlines that will inevitably accompany today's announcement."

Mr Brown is expected to announce average spending increases for health and education of 4 per cent a year in real terms from 1999 to 2002. He will also outline a El billion package that will offer pensioners a guaranteed minimum moome.

The settlement is the result of more than 50 meetings between Mr Blair and Mr Brown, and they put the final touches to the document at Chequers on Saturday. The Prime Minister has written a foreword in which he describes the settlement as a "contract between the centre and departments". But the extent of the Treasury's

control has been demonstrated by a 40-page letter from Alistair Darling, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, telling ministers how the money should be used over three years and emphasising the reforms that must

In his foreword to the White Paper, Modern Public Services for

Britain: Investing in Reform, Mr

Blair says that the big extra sums for health and education have been hard-won. There is an obligation on those spending it "to do so wisely in pursuit of agreed and ambitious

In return for the extra money on education, there must be improved modern classrooms, smaller class sizes and every school should be linked to the Internet. The NHS will be expected to deliver higher quality care and more modem equipment, to overhaul it computer system and cut waiting lists.

The pay review bodies have been told that their terms of reference are to be changed to make plain that their awards are consistent with the inflation target. Awards should also not conflict with the Govennment's targets for output and efficiency, such as cutting waiting lists. But the unions are expected to protest that Mr Brown's proposed guidelines are a further curb on the review bodies' independence.

Mr Brown's statement today will also pave the way for an announcement by Harriet Harman on Friday that income support for the poorest pensioners is to rise by £7 a week for couples and by £5 for single people. And a million pensioners who do not claim income support will receive it automatically. The plan is to have a minimum guaranteed pension, an idea that Labour floated in Opposition but did not include in its manifesto because of the cost

Under the new plan, all pensioner couples will get a minimum pension of about £116 a week, up from £109.35 a week, while single pensioners will receive at least £75 a week, up from £70. Those with personal or occupational pensions above the new minimum level will receive no extra cash.



Down and out Chris Boardman receiving first aid from Tour de France doctor Gerard Porte

Boardman crashes out of Tour

CHRIS BOARDMAN, overall leader of the Tour de France, crashed at main hope, was said to be deeply speed yesterday and rolled headfirst into a drystone wall, shattering his

He was taken to hospital in Cork suffering from concussion, a suspected broken wrist and deep cuts and bruises to his face and body. He was being kept in overnight for tests and is out of the Tour.

disappointed. He fell during a keenly contested intermediate sorint on the 127-mile second stage after a touch of wheels among a group of riders close to the front of the race. The Belgian rider Johan Bruyneel and Italy's Francesco Casagrande

fell in front of him. Yesterday's stage was the last of

Boardman, 29, who was Britain's three days in Ireland which began with the time-trial prologue in Dublin on Saturday; it is the first time the race has started in a noncontinental European country and was said to have been a huge success, generating millions of Irish pounds in publicity. Towns along the route were decked in Tricolours.

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'Crack troops' to fight £7bn benefit fraudsters

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By Alexandra Frean SOCIAL AFFAIRS

OFFICIAL estimates of the amount of money stolen by benefit cheats have been in-creased from £4 billion to £7 billion a year, sufficient to give every pensioner an extra £10 a week or to cut the tax bill of every taxpaying household by £435 a year.

The figures emerged as Frank Field. Minister for Welfare Reform, announced new proposals for stamping out benefit fraud, which he described as "theft on a grand scale", and for eradicating the culture that enables welfare cheats to go undetected and unpunished

Although most people would condemn serious organised fraud committed by criminal gangs, he said, there was a degree of sympathy for people living on benefits who supplement their income by occasional earnings that they fail to declare.

Only one person in five felt that this type of fraud was a serious matter.

"In some communities, successful fraudsters are celebrated as having beaten the system. The connection to benefits for others has been lost. In these areas, we want to change people's attitude towards fraud, from condoning it to comdemning it," he said.

Publishing a Green Paper. Beating Fraud is Everyone's Business, the minister confirmed his intention of creating a body of highly skilled and trained "crack troops" to combat fraud. They would be seen as respected professionals, not as DSS snoopers.

Although official figures for fraud range from £2 billion to £7 billion, Mr Field said he did not think that £7 billion was an overestimate. He said that the Department of Social Security hoped to make £7 billion Continued on page 2, col 5

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Knowing the drill is a life-saver for British doctor in the bush

A BRITISH doctor has saved a man's life by performing emergency surgery with a rusty old hand-drill found in a school shed. Stephen Hindley was on his

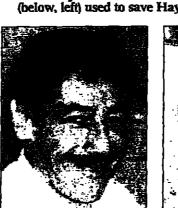
second day at work in an isolated Australian hospital when he was forced to try his hand at improvised bush medicine. Hayden McGlinn, 23, had collapsed after colliding head-on with another player in an Australian rules football game; Dr Hindley realised that he had a blood clot on the brain and had only minutes to live.

He knew that he had to drill a hole in the patient's skull to relieve the pressure, and with no suitable implements at the Ravensthorpe hospital, he sent Mr McGlinn's teammates to search for a drill. The first one they found at the local dentist's did not work, but then they turned up the discarded hand-drill.

"I told them I didn't care what sort of drill they got me, just grab anything." Dr Hindley said. "It was like playing Flying Doctors with some basic DIY and prayer."



The rusty old drill that Dr Stephen Hindley (below, left) used to save Hayden McGlinn (right)



After sterilising the bit and consulting neurosurgeons at the Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital in Perth, 300 miles away. Dr Hindley went ahead with the operation. The procedure worked and Mr McGlinn was



in a stable condition in the Perth hospital last night."1 don't want to sound like some hero, because in bush medicine you have to improvise."
Dr Hindley said. "The fact that all his teammates could

was a secondary worry to be me to doing nothing."

He had telephoned the Perih doctors for a "swift A to Z of what I was supposed to do with a bit and brace on a dying man's skull. Like all doctors, I know the principles, but never thought I would have to bother with the practicalities."

At the Perth hospital, a spokeswoman said: "The boy's condition deteriorated so quickly that if he had not done what he did, he would definitely have died before they got him to hospital." And Mr McGlimn's father described Dr Hindley's work as "the best bush medicine we have

ever seen".

Dr Hindley in turn paid tribute to fellow staff who turned up to help him through his "baptism of fire". The 42year-old doctor had just emigrated from Cornwall and was only 36 hours into a month-long stint as a locum in Ravensthorpe. He is due to take up a post as a GP in Tasmania at the end of the month, when he will be joined by his wife and three children.

Dr Stuttaford, page 6

Two held over boys' murder

By Martin Fletcher CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

TWO men were arrested in connection with the sectarian murders of the three young Quinn brothers yesterday as Northern Ireland pulled back from the brink of self-

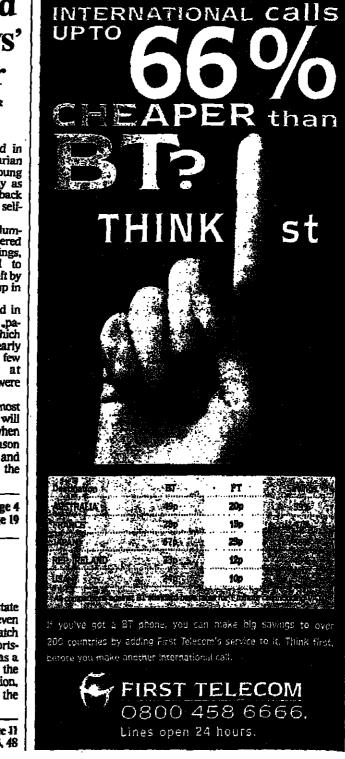
destruction. The level of violence plummeted in a province sobered by the horror of those killings, though the Army had to defuse a 500lb car bomb left by a republican splinter group in Newry last night.

Orangemen participated in scores of muted July 12 parades, almost all of which passed peacefully. By early evening there were only a few hundred protestors at Drumcree, though more were

expected later. One of the biggest and most subdued processions of all will take place this morning when Richard, Mark and Jason Quinn - aged 11, nine and eight — are buried in the village of Rasharkin.

> Silent parade, page 4 Letters, page 19

Nike denies part in Ronaldo mystery



Octav Botnar dies in exile

Octav Botnar, who was at the centre of fraud allegations involving the Nissan UK carimporting empire he built up,

has died at the age of 84. The millionaire businessman, who arrived in Britain from Romania in 1967, had | ted the player had suffered a spent his last years as a tax exile in Switzerland while fighting the Inland South America suggested commercial pressures had

Ronaldo, the world's best foot-

baller, was allowed to play for Brazil in the World Cup final against France when he was unfit deepened last night as the team management admitconvulsive fit only hours before kick-off and reports from

Mario Zagallo. Ronaldo was left out of the starting line-up because he had apparently suffered some form of seizure at the team

hotel and then reinstated when he made a belated arrival at the stadium and said that he had recovered. "It was a tremendous scare for me," Ronaldo told Brazil-

World Cup but I won another cup: my life. I do not remember properly, but I went to sleep and then it seems I had a fit for 30 or 40 seconds. I woke up then and my whole body was in pain."

ian television. "We lost the

Ronaldo's performance in the unexpected 3-0 deleat was lackiustre and followed dressing-room fracas. The

of disarray it did not even appear for the pre-match warm-up. Nike, the sports-wear manufacturer that has a £250 million deal with the Brazilian Football Federation, denies it tried to influence the selection of Ronaldo.

France celebrates, page 11 World Cup, pages 42, 43, 48

Straw poll reveals a quiet confidence in the status quo

UNTIL elected last year for Bromsgrove, Julie Kirkbride wrote for The Daily Telegraph. Now she takes an interest in electronic tagging. She was attentive at Questions yesterday as the Home Secretary, Jack Straw, explained that, in a pilot scheme, tagging had proved successful in 80 per cent of the cases.

Miss Kirkbride: "He says 80 per cent were successful. Can he tell us about the remaining 20 per cent?" Mr Straw: "They were unsuccessful." "No wonder the Telegraph's sales are falling," shouted some

Labour wag. But it was good-humoured. Sessions led by Straw tend to be rather civilised. Of all the Prime Minister's Cabinet team, none has emerged

DAVID BLUNKETT today warns peers that they will be

overstepping their powers if

they insist on challenging the

Government again over vari-

able rates of student tuition

Writing in The Times, the

Education and Employment

Secretary gives his strongest

warning yet that if the House

of Lords refuses to back down.

it will put at risk the Govern-

ment's entire package of high-er education funding reforms. He says "it cannot be right for the unelected House" to

challenge the Commons

again. But he also offers the

possibility of an independent

review of fee arrangements in

MPs were last night expect-

ed to overturn for a third time

a Lords attempt to take the so-

called "Scottish anomaly" out

of the Teaching and Higher Education Bill. English.

Welsh and Northern Irish

students at Scottish universi-

ties would have to pay fees for

four years — the normal

length of courses north of the

border — while their Scottish

counterparts would pay for

three. The Lords last week

voted by the largest majority

against a Government since

1913 to insist that all students

in Scotland be exempted from

the fourth year of fees. Peers

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more strongly this year than Jack Straw. In Opposition he came across as unoriginal: a Buddy Holly lookalike duffed up by Michael Howard. But the Home Secretary's job destroyed Mr Howard; it is proving to be the making of Mr

He gives an appearance of rising above politics: a decent, balanced and thoughtful administrator with a firm grip on his job. If his party ever tired of the politics of ecstasy it is possible to imagine him as a safetyfirst candidate, in the running to

Yesterday he was leading a campaign within it. To say Straw was leading opposition to changing Britain's electoral system might

Blunkett tells peers

not to overstep

powers in fees vote



sound overstated - for the Home Secretary was non-committal, carefully judged, in his replies. But there was no mistaking the tone.

Nor was there any mistaking the mood of the House. MPs who doubt the mission of Lord (Roy) Jenkins's committee (to find an alternative to the status quo) are growing in confidence and noise. Heads appear above parapets. It struck this sketchwriter that, the commission being the Prime Minister's idea rather than his party's, the loss of a

lew feathers from his wing in recent days may have given heart to PR-

Nick St Aubyn (C, Guildford) asked what assessment the Home Secretary had made of the benefits of the present system: first-past-thepost. Mr Straw said he had spelt these out at length in a recent debate: it was "important to provide" an assessment of both sides to

"Fifty per cent of this House" favoured the status quo," said Mr St

"Even a Tory can be right," cackled David Winnick (Lab. Walsall N)

The numbers, said Straw, "are certainly quite substantial". But it would be up to the British people in

The Home Secretary was careful not to sound partisan. Curiously, it was in his answers to Tories too blinkered to realise he was on their side that he let his colours show. The Principal Opposition has been mounting a misguided campaign of protest against the Jenkins Commission's remit: to identify an alternative voting system without weighing the merits of the existing one.

As Straw told them yesterday, PR-

Aubyn. "More!" shouted many MPs on both Tory and Labour benches. sceptics are best served by not asking Jenkins to assess the benefits of the status quo. The reason (though Straw did not voice it) was obvious. Jenkins is a passionate believer in electoral change. His Commission would recommend change - something they are now

barred from doing. The process Straw defended yesterday leaves people like him free to defend the Commission's work. agree (when it makes its recommendations) that these are indeed the best alternative to the status quo and opt for the status quo. This is too subtle for many Tories.

On yesterday's mood, this sketchwriter would stop betting on electoral change.



Schools are to be stopped from boosting their ranking in exam league tables by excluding problem pupils, under government proposals pubished yesterday. Ministers are recommend-

ing that pupils excluded for up to two years before GCSE exams should be incorporated in the league table results. even if they never sat an exam. Stephen Byers, the School Standards Minister, said: stop such abuses of the system. Exclusions in such cir-

Firm action will be taken to cumstances damage the children concerned and deceive parents and the public." Despite efforts to reduce exclusion of pupils, the number has risen by 200 to 12,700 in the

Winner in law

Kamlesh Bahl. 42 who chairs the Equal Opportunities Commission, was elected deputy vice-president of the Law Sociery of England and Wales. She is the first woman to be an office holder and is believed to be the first to come from the ethnic minorities in the society's 150-year history.

Gay fight fails

Terry Perkins, a Royal Navy nurse sacked for being gay, failed in his attempt to challenge the legality of his 1995 dismissal. He had been granted leave to go to the European Court of Justice, but a High Court judge said EU legislation applied to discrimination on gender grounds.

Animal checks

STRICTER checks are likely to be introduced by the Government to ensure that farm animals intended for export are healthy and fit to travel. Proposals call for specially selected and trained vets paid for by exporters - to examine the livestock before it is sent abroad.

Separatist jailed

A Sikh separatist was jailed for four years yesterday at the Old Bailey for offences linked to a plot to assassinate a senior Indian policeman visiting Brîtain. Jagroop Bathh, 45, a shopworker in West London. was convicted of two gun charges but acquitted of conspiracy to kill the officer.

Firemen's hoax

Paul Roberts, 32, a firefighter of Childwall, Liverpool, admitted making hoax 999 calls to earn his colleagues overthe charges at an earlier trial changed his plea yesterday. He was further remanded on bail to July 28 for sentence.



Cherie Booth is given a lesson in how to use a specially-designed computer mouse by Naomi and Carina Burton, 14, at the new offices of Scope, the organisation for people for celebral palsy, in Holloway, London

Blunkett: says Lords are risking reform package

insisted variable rates were unfair and could breach the European Convention on Hu-

Mr Blunkett argues in The Times that if the Government accepts the fourth-year exemption in Scotland, it would be forced to widen it. "If we agreed to this, what on earth would be the justification for not doing the same at universities in England, Wales and Northern Ireland?" He says this would cost £27 million and wrongly encourage more people to do four-year courses. He also denies that the anomaly has hurt student applica-

tions to Scottish universities. Mr Blunkett adds: "Finally, there is an important constitutional issue. It is right that the House of Lords should scrutinise, but having had its advice rejected now three times by the elected House, on a matter with financial consequences, it cannot be right for the unelected House yet again to refuse to accept that decision. Any further delay risks the Bill not getting Royal Assent in time for the newstudent support arrangements to be put in place for the intake of students this October. No responsible person could contemplate that."

The Bill is expected to go back to the Lords today. Last night it was unclear whether the Tories or the Liberal Democrats would try to put forward another amendment. Some senior Tory sources felt the Lords

had done enough, but others said the scale of the vote against the Government last week meant that peers "had their dander up" and wanted to continue the fight. The Liberal Democrats

hinted that they might fight on. Don Foster, the Liberal Democrat Education spokesman, said: "Given that we believe that the Government is wrong, we will give them

every opportunity to come to their senses and accept the error of their ways." In a fresh demonstration of

the willingness of the House of Lords to challenge the Government, peers last night defeated ministers for a 28th time since the election. The Lords voted by a majority of 69 to reject part of the School Standards and Framework Bill. Peers objected to the creation of school committees which could override local education authority plans.

David Blunkett, page 18

Why game of ping pong is a trial of strength

By James Landale POLITICAL REPORTER

THE parliamentary trial of strength between the Lords and the Government over variable rates of student tuition fees in Scolland is

known as "ping pong". This is the description of what happens when MPs and peers cannot agree on a particular part of a Bill and bounce it to-and-fro between

The Teaching and Higher Education Bill, which contains the "Scottish anomaly", began life in the Lords at the end of 1997. Peers first voted to remove the anomaly in January this year. The Bill then went to the Commons for the first time, and MPs reinserted the anomaly. The measure returned to

the Lords for peers to consider the MPs' amendments. On most occasions, peers accept the will of the Commons. On this occasion, they voted again to remove the anomaly. The Bill then pinged and ponged between the Houses.

Peers have now defied the Government three times. They are able to do this because they have tried to remove the anomaly with differently worded amendamendments in lien.

If peers had insisted that exactly the same initial amendment remained in the Bill, and the Commons had insisted that it did not, then the whole measure would utomatically die.

But by voting on amend-ments in lieu, the Lords are technically asking the Comamendment which has not been considered by MPs before. As such, peers are in theory not challenging the agreed will of the Commons. This process of ping pong

can continue until peers run out of amendments in lieu which are acceptable to the derks or the parliamentary session ends, at which point the Bill would die. The latter is extremely unlikely.

Because the Bill originate in the Lords, the Government cannot invoke the Parliament Acts of 1911 and 1948 to without Lords agreement in the next session of Parliament. Even if the Government had this power, it would not want to invoke it because the Bill would be

effectively delayed by a year.

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£7bn fraud | Draper will Continued from page I in savings from its anti-fraud measures over three years. The cost of implementing the Labour measures for this year would be more than £400 million.

A ministerial task force on combating fraud, chaired by Mr Field, would be created and the Department of Social Security would be required to publish an anual audit describing anti-fraud activities, estimates of the scale of fraud and policy initiatives.
The Government

also be reviewing the benefit rules that are most frequently broken to see if they are impractical or unworkable, impractical or Mr Field said.

In particular, ministers would be looking at suspected fraud around the rule that reduces income-related benefit when earnings exceed £5 a week, the rules that mean two people living as a couple get less benefit than two people living together as individuals and the rule that reduces income-related benefits when a person's capital exceeds £3,000.

Officials believe that fruad around three rules alone could account for £1.7 billion in fraudulent claims: for income support / jobseeker's allowance, invalid care allowance and housing benefit.

They will be examining whether the way the rules are framed is making fraud virtually inevitable. The £5 limit on earnings, for example, has not been changed since 1988 and may need to be raised.

The Green Paper also proposed more active management of fraud cases. Information technology systems would be improved to enable different agencies to share and cross-check information. Greater co-operation will be encouraged between central and local government and other public bodies involved

still stage seminar

By Andrew Pierce AND JILL SHERMAN

AN organisation founded by Derek Draper, the lobbyist at the centre of the cash-foraccess row, is pressing ahead with a seminar on how gov-ernment ministers could be more effective. Tony Blair has endorsed the

summer school staged by Progress, a political education body, at the end of July.
The disclosure comes amid

growing pressure for the row over lobbyists to be referred to the Neill Committee on Stan-dards in Public Life. John MacGregor, a former Cabinet minister and member of the committee, said there was a case for examining the links between special advisers and lobbying groups.

The star turn at the Progress weekend forum is Roger Liddle, the Downing Street policy unit official accused of using his position to help Mr Draper's business. He is delivering a lecture called The Cabinet Game: role play with Roger Liddle" Mr Draper, sole director of Progress, is planning to attend the high-profile event. Peter Hain, the Welsh Office Minister, and John Spellar, the Defence Minister, have been booked for the seminar near

Grantham on July 31. Tony Blair gave the project his blessing in the advance publicity printed before the cash for access controversy. He described the seminars as "an excellent opportunity for members of the government and grassroots activists" to discuss key issues and gener-

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Typnotist's subject claims £250,000 for mental illness

Volunteer said to have suffered from schizophrenia after stage

show, reports Deborah Collcutt

A STAGE hypnotist triggered a schizophrenic reaction in one of the participants in his show, leaving him with long-term psychiatric problems and unable to work, the High Court was told yesterday.

Christopher Gates, who was said to have strutted across the stage like Mick Jagger and acred as a naughty schoolboy, is claiming \$250,000 from Paul McKenna for lost earnings and damages.

The court was rold that as a result of being hypnotised during a show in 1994. Mr Gates, who had no prior history of menual illness, had developed aggressive and childlike behaviour and nine days after the show had been admitted to a psychiatric hospital suffering from an acute schizophrenic episode.

Anthony Scrivener, QC, suid that since then, Mr Gates, 29, a qualified French polisher who was made redundant in 1995, had received regular counselling and had taken medication every day to control his schizophrenia. He had

been taken off medication for a short period but had had resumed when paranoid symptoms returned.

Mr Serivener said that in March 1994 Mr Gates, from High Wycombe in Buckinghamshire, had taken his girlfriend, Beverley Gibbs, to Mr McKenna's show at the Swan Theatre in the town and had volunteered to be hypnotised.

In the course of the 24-hour show, during which Mr Gates had been held in a trance for most of the time, including throughout the interval. Mr McKenna had instructed him to take on various personae and act out different scenarios. As well as impersonating Mick Jagger and a schoolboy. he had been told to believe he was a ballet dancer and used a shoe as a telephone to receive the news that he had won El million. Next. Mr Gates had been told to imagine he was a contestant on the television show. Blind Date, conduct an orchestra and work as

an interpreter for aliens. chiatri Mr McKenna, who denies The



Gates: said to be on permanent medication

negligence, was in court yesterday to hear Mr Scrivener tell Mr Justice Toulson that he was not qualified to practise hypnosis. "The defendant has no medical qualifications and no formal hypnotherapy qualifications, but holds himself out as an expert." He alleged that the local authority had not issued a license for the show and told the court that subsequent appearances by Mr McKenna were authorised and attended by a council environmental health officer accompanied by a psychiatrist.

The court was told that

when Mr Gates "seemed changed and prone to fits of hysterical laughter" after the show. Miss Gibbs had contacted Mr McKenna, who had spoken to Mr Gates on the telephone and advised him to seek medical help, recommending a private therapist.

Mr McKenna, of Kensington. West London, who has since given up his live and televised shows, had told Miss Gibbs that when hypnotising Mr Gates he had "spoken to both concepts of his mind, the angry and the scared concepts".

cepts".

When she appears as a witness today, Miss Gibbs is expected to tell the court that Mr Gates developed a particular fear of religion and was forced to miss the funeral of a colleague and a family wedding because he was too scared to enter a church.

He is also said to have became an obsessive viewer of the television lottery show and Coronation Street, believing that he is being sent subliminal messages from the pub in the soap to cut down on his alcohol intake.

Mr Scrivener said that Mr Gates was unable to sleep alone at nights and had developed an irrational fear of death linked to the memory of a childhood tragedy involving



Paul McKenna with his manager, Clare Staples, outside the High Court yesterday. He denies negligence

a family dog that had died. It was a memory that Mr Mc-Kenna had awakened and been unable to "close" because of insufficient expertise. Mr Scrivener said: "Merely counting down from 20 to zero, then saying 'wakey, wakey' is not sufficient."

Describing Mr McKenna's

background, Mr Scrivener said he had run in-store entertainment at a shopping centre in London before becoming a disc jockey. In 1985 he had become interested in hypnotism and realised he had a knack that could be used for entertainment.

or entertainment.

Apart from his shows, he

had given lectures on the topic and claimed to have a PhD from an American university. He had provided hypnotherapy for private clients, including some famous people, and produced audio tapes designed to help people to

Mr Scrivener said Mr Mc-

Kenna. a member of the Federation of Ethical Stage Hypnotists, must have been aware that no-one knew the mechanics of hypnosis and that it could be dangerous when used as entertainment without the usual consulting room safeguards.







Robert Towersey, his wife Julie, and her lover, the solicitor Gareth Jess

Solicitor 'pulled gun on lover's husband'

By Paul Wilkinson

A PARTNER in a leading firm of solicitors pulled a gun on his lover's husband during a violent confrontation, a court was told yesterday.

was told yesterday.
Gareth Jessop, of Pannone & Partners of Manchester, was said to have armed himself with a loaded Colt 45 semi-automatic from his private collection after two earlier disturbances involving Robert Towersey.

Then on June 15 last year, Mr Towersey had arrived at the house Mr Jessop shared with Mr Towersey's wife. Julie, a secretary at his law firm. The two men had struggled and Mr Towersey had seized the gun and fired a shot into the floor.

the floor.

Mr Jessop, 30, a gun enthusiast who held the weapon legally, denies charges of possessing a firearm with intent to endanger life and with intent to cause a person to believe that unlawful violence would be used against him.

Simon Nichol, for the prose-

cution, told Bradford Crown Court that Julie Hurn, 30. Mr Towersey's wife, had left him eight weeks before the incident and moved into Mr Jessop's home at Reddish, Stockport, Her husband, a Territorial Army corporal, had twice called at the house demanding

to see his wife.

On one occasion he had used his Land Rover to ram Mr Jessop's car and on the other he had slashed bedding with a knife. As a consequence he had been arrested and remanded in custody.

Mr Jessop had gone away for a week with Ms Hurn to get away from the pressure but had discovered when they returned that Mr Towersey had been granted bail. They had been convinced Mr Towersey would return shortly, so Mr Jessop had chosen a weapon and loaded it.

Mr Towersey, 31, told the court that when he arrived Mr Jessop refused to let him speak to his wife and slammed the door in his face. He said: "I did something I know I should not have done. I punched the door

glass and undid the chain.
"When I went inside I saw
Jessop about 7ft away, pointing what I knew from TA experience to be a large-calibre
automatic at me. He was in
the doorway in the combat
crouch position. I rushed him,
knocking the gun to one side
and punched him."

There was a struggle, during which Mr Towersey disarmed Mr Jessop and threw him to the floor. Mr Nichol said: "For a moment Mr Towersey considered shooting himself, but he changed his mind. He knew there was a live round in the breach so he fired it into the floor.

Afterwards Mr Jessop had allegedly told him: "I just could not bring myself to do it." Mr Nichol said that the Crown took that to mean Mr Jessop had considered shooting Mr Towersey.

The trial continues.

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Family accused of hiring hitman to murder father

By Russell Jenkins

THE wife and children of a refired army major hired a hitman to murder him because he stood in the way of their extravagant lifestyle. York Magistrates Court was told yesterday.

was fold yesterday.

Geoffrey Leeming, 63, was stabbed through the heart by an unknown assailant in October 1996 as he went to check a lock in the darkened garage of his bungalow while his wife

watched television.

A bloodstained kitchen knife was found on a grass verge beside the couple's home at the end of a cul-desac in Haxby: near York. It had been placed to look as if discarded by a chance introder the court was told.

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The prosecution claims that the dead man's wife. Jackie, 55, daughter Jayne, 30, of Wigginton, near York, and son Stephen. 33, of



Jackie Leeming: laces a conspiracy charge

Stockton-on-the-Forest, also near York, wanted Mr Leeming out of the way so they could continue milking the finances of the family's ailing drainage business.

The three, with Malcolm Herbert, 37, secretary of the company they owned, face charges of conspiracy to murder and fraudulent trading. The prosecution case is being outlined at a committal hearing before a stipendiary magistrate, who will decide if there is a case to answer at Crown Court. Reporting restrictions have been lifted.

The prosecution said that.

after Mr Leeming's death, the family members continued to indulge their lavish lifestyles. Jayne Leeming, a single mother on benefits, signed a contract to buy a £160,000 house soon after the killing, bought an expensive car and a £7,000 horsebox to transport her nony

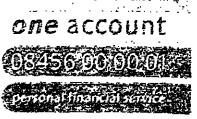
Stephen Leeming continued to draw £400 a week from the firm although he was off sick. He also bought a £25,000 sports car. the court was told. Jackie Leeming drew £200 a week

from the business.

The committal hearing

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A landscape strewn with casualties and not a victor in sight

DRUMCREE FOUR - the worst to date of Northern Ireland's annual descents into anarchy and mayhem — is effectively over, but the clearing smoke reveals a landscape strewn with casualties and not a victor in sight.

On the one side are the charred bodies of the three young Quinn boys who were burnt alive by loyalist thugs and who will be buried today. On the other are the tattered and discredited remnants of the Orange Order, the Christian organisation whose leaders stood by as their protest was hijacked by terrorists bent on bringing Northsorry groups stand in little huddles.

There are the Paisleyites and other Unionist opponents of the Good Friday peace accord who shamelessly sought to exploit the protest to achieve what they could not win through the ballot box. There are the church leaders who failed to denounce the wickedness wrought in the name of Christianity - from the Church of Ireland's Drumcree building emanated all manner of profanity and lethal attack on the security forces. There are the leaders of the

ern Ireland to its knees. Other nationalist Garvaghy Road resi-sorry groups stand in little dents whose self-righteous intransigence matched that of the Orangemen. Nor did the Sinn Fein leadership - which did nothing to encourage compromise — emerge with credit from the first big test of its commitment to a new order.

Beyond these groups the devastation extends as far and wide. There is the legacy of seven consecutive nights of wanton destruction - 178 hijacked vehicles. 295 damaged homes and buildings, 466 cars and the scorched remains of countless barricades. There is the rubble of Northern

Ireland's tourist industry, and the ashes to which all those hopes of massive inward investment have been reduced. Picking their way through this debris are literally scores of Catholic families driven from their homes on loyalist estates by what can only be described as ethnic cleansing.

The very few who are leaving the battlefield with their honour intact include the Royal Ulster Constabulary, which did not flinch in the face of loyalism's full fury - no nationalist can any longer accuse the force of being the military branch of Unionism. They include the Army and they include David Trimble and Seamus Mallon. Northern Ireland's First and Deputy First Ministers, who courageously resisted the temptation to scurry back to their tribal enclaves at the first whiff of

gunpowder. It was hard for both men, but particularly Mr Trimble - 2 Unionist an Orangeman and Portadown's MP. His natural sympathies lay with the Orangemen, his natural constituency, but as First Minister he nad to uphold the rule of law. As the security situation deteriorated and sectarian divisions widened, his position became increasingly precarious. In the end it was the murders of the three Quinn boys that saved both him and the new Assembly by bringing the Province to its senses. but it was a terrible price to pay.

This has been an astonishing year in Northern Ireland. The peace process has survived bombs. killings and walkouts. It has survived the marathon bout of talks that produced the accord. It has survived the hard-fought referendum on that accord, and equally hard-fought Assembly elections. It has now survived Drumcree Four.

its biggest crisis yet, and just possibly the worst is over. The bond between Mr Trimble and Mr Mallon, between the leaders of reasonable Unionism and moderate nationalism, has been tested by fire and held.

The perennial issue of IRA disarmament still looms, but the Paisleyites no longer occupy the moral high ground. It was not the republicans who resorted to force to achieve their ends these past nine days. It was their own men -

MARTIN FLETCHER

Orange loses to black in Belfast's parade of silence

THE clash of silences on Belfast's Lower Ormeau Road yesterday was almost deafening. Two communities, Protestant and Catholic, met and looked each other scornfully in the eye. No one said a word.

In previous years, Orangemen and Catholics have had to be held apart forcibly in this sectarian tinderbox, but yesterday the Catholics vented their anger in a peaceful but equally demonstrative way. As the Orangemen of Ballynafeigh paraded down the Ormeau Road past pubs and shops where loyalists have killed republicans, the Catholic residents stood silently holding black flags as a reminder of their dead.

Women and children held up placards which summed

order decision not to reroute the march after the weekend deaths of three Catholic boys in an arson attack. They read simply: "Shame". The Orangemen were silent too, because the Parades Commission had banned them

from banging their drums and whistling on their flutes which so inflame Catholic feelings. The instant they stepped on to Protestant soil, the bands struck up The Sash, the tune calculated to cause most On the same march in 1992,

Orangemen from the Ballynafeigh Lodge danced and gave five-fingered salutes while the RUC used Land Rovers and riot shields to keep the Catholic residents off the street. Yesterday, only a light scattering of RUC officers was



Orangemen march in the rain. Most kept quief

necessary to keep the peace. Black flags were hung from every window and lamp post in memories of Catholics who had died in sectarian violence during the past 30 years. Hundreds more were held aloft by Catholic residents who lined the route to protest at the Parades Commission's decision to allow the Orangemen to march up the Lower Ormeau Road for the first time in two years. Many who could not find a square of black fabric in their homes improvised with rubbish

Despite the bitter history of this march, the protests re-mained peaceful thanks to the constant attentions of Catholic leaders. As the thump-thump of the approaching Orange bands came drifting down the road, Gerard Rice and John Gormley of the Lower Ormeau residents group walked up and down the pavement counselling the young men to stay calm: Whatever happens, not a word," said Mr Rice to a group of young men. "We will be dignified and peaceful."

The tension was heightened when the parade was delayed by about half-an-hour following a security alert outside the Ballynafeigh Orange hall. Two controlled explosions were heard as the bomb squad used a remote control robot to



Protesters hold up a black flag and newspapers featuring pictures of the three dead children as the parade passes yesterday

investigate suspect packages. Security sources said the warning telephoned to the Samaritans had used INLA

As if on cue, rain started to fall shortly after 9am as the Orange parade crossed the Ormeau Bridge which marks the beginning of the Catholic section of the road. Holding

their banners and wearing bowler hats, the Orangemen stared straight ahead. Once or twice, was discipline broken as one elderly, drenched Orangeman in his shirtsleeves said audibly to a fellow marcher: "What's with all the black flags? Has someone's granny died?" The Catholics on the far side of the road did

not break ranks. Aside from the black flags. the Catholics, always alert to a good media opportunity, re-leased several hundred black the parade to the delight of cameramen from all around the world who had come to

observe the proceedings.
Throughout the build-up to this march, the Catholic side has consistently pandered to the media while the Orangemen have hidden behind a wall of silence. The Lower Ormeau residents group have made sure that what Gerry Adams described as their magnamimous and generous

initiative" was not missed by anybody.

As the Orange parade passed into Protestant territory, the rain clouds parted and the Ormeau Road was bathed in bright sunlight. After the march had passed onto the Havelock Bridge,

which marks the end of the Catholic stretch of the Lower Ormeau Road, the media offensive continued. Gerard Rice, who walked back down the street applauding his people for their show of

restraint, immediately mount-

ed a soap box to address the crowd. He was quick to point out how the Orange bands had chosen to strike up the two tunes calculated to cause maximum offence the instant they reached the Protestant side of

Mr Rice said: "The first band played The Sash, the second played No Surrender." He asked: "Where is the change in that?

Order's rallying cry fails at Drumcree

By Audrey Magee, ireland correspondent

IT HAD been billed as the climax of the Orange Örder protest at Drumeree. Tens of thousands of Orangemen were scheduled to show solidarity with the Portadown men blocked from walking down Garvaghy Road.

But scarcely anybody arrived yesterday, leaving ten burger vans without custom. Even Portadown Orangemen stayed away. The Portadown Order had asked its 1.400 members to gather at Drumcree church at 10am. By lunchtime, there were

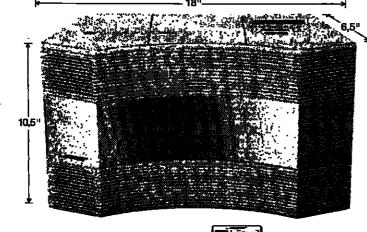
fewer than 500. The Order blamed the wet weather and the lure of parades elsewhere. But the people of Portadown stayed at home or went to the park, "I had planned going and taking the kids, but not after what happened to the three boys in Ballymoney - it doesn't seem right," said one

Protestant who walked with his children in the town park. With the support of five bands. yesterday's marchers went to the frontline to face down the police and Army. The security forces lowered their profile to match the receding Orange threat.

The Portadown Order has pledged to maintain a presence until its members can return to the centre of the town along their traditional route. One said: "A principle is a principle."

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Catholic theologian to marry pupil nun 23 years his junior

By DEBORAH COLLCUTT

THE Dominican order was shocked last night by the announcement by one of its friars and leading academics that he has renounced his vows of celibacy to marry one

of his pupils, a former sister, who is 20 years his junior.
The Rev Paul Parvis, 52, has already resigned as head of an Oxford theological college and is engaged to marry Sara Dudley Edwards, 29, at a egister office in Scotland in the autumn.

The couple first met four years ago when Miss Dudley Edwards, who took temporary vows to become a Dominican sister, was studying in Oxford, where the American-born Father Parvis was Regent of Studies. His decision to leave

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the order and resign his post has devastated colleagues. Father John Orme Mills, director of communications

for the English Dominican Province, said yesterday: "It has come as a big shock to us all. Father Parvis is a man holding a very senior position and his decision means that not only is he giving up the priesthood but he is also giving up a post of importance and standing. It is a very grave step for him to take. We are very concerned for him because he's doing something that Roman Catholic priests

are not supposed to do. "It never ocurred to anyone that this was happening. It has stressed us quite profoundly, but naturally I wish them well. Paul always seemed a very serious man you would never have guessed he would do something like

Father Parvis has left his Oxford home amid speculation that he has joined Miss Dudley Edwards in Scotland. where she is believed to be staying with relatives.

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Contrary to a report (July 6) "Blair aide accused of insider dealing", it has never been alleged that Ian Greer Associates paid ministers for soliciting information. We apologise to Mr Greet for this

Calls for ban on do-it-yourself **DNA** testing kit

By A CORRESPONDENT

THE chairman of the Commons Health Select Committee called yesterday for a do-ityourself DNA testing kit. which checks a child's paternity, to be banned.

The DNA Testing Agency has placed newspaper advertisements for the £298 kit. which can be used at home and does not require a blood sample. The test - targeted at men who have "nagging doubts" about whether a child is theirs - involves taking a swab from the child's mouth. There is then a five-week wait for the result.

The Human Genetics Advisory Committee yesterday raised doubts about the tests. and David Hinchliffe, chair-man of the Health Select Committee, called for them to be banned. He told BBC Radio: "It's the children who could suffer most. I think they [the firm] are blundering into a dangerous area. They are

enticing fathers, obviously on the back of the Child Support Agency issue, to carry out tests without any reference whatsoever to the child's feelings or discussion with the mother.

"I hope that the Govern-ment will find some way to block the activities of this agency and others undertaking similar testing. I intend to pursue the matter with the Department of Health. I want to see it stopped." Sir Colin Campbell, chair-

man of the Human Genetics Advisory Commission, said the tests raised ethical issues. The DNA Testing Agency

said the advertisements had been running in a national newspaper for some months. A spokesman said: "As many mothers as alleged fathers have been buying the test. We are giving people the opportunity to do private testing. There is nothing deceitful or underhand about it."

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Week-old

girl dies

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By JOANNA BALE

A BABY girl died with her

mother and grandparents in a

fire at their home early yesterday. The child's father escaped

with his brother after the blaze

Woodcock and her baby Shan-

non died after an evening

celebrating the birth a week ago. The baby's father, John,

22, and uncle, Jason, 20, were

taken to hospital with smoke

inhalation and minor injuries.

cers who attempted a rescue

were beaten back by the fierce

temperature inside the three-

bedroom terrace house in

Cudworth, near Barnsley,

the first emergency worker

there. He tried to get into the

loft of the burning home by

climbing into the attic of an

adjoining house. "I couldn't

get in because the heat was so fierce. I tried to contact the

people inside by banging on

the wall, but I could get no response. The heat was so

intense that the light fittings

The homes of more than 30

people living near by were evacuated. One fire officer

described the blaze as one of

the worst he had seen in 22

years of service. Station Of-

ficer John Hyde said: "The

heat inside was intense and it

took us a long time to get

Investigators said that al-

though a neighbour had re-

ported hearing an explosion, it

may have been the crackling of the blaze. Divisional Fire

Officer Kevin Govier said: "At

the moment, we don't know

what caused the fire." It is

believed that it was an

through the front doorway.

on a car outside melted."

Sergeant Pat Casserly, of South Yorkshire Police, was

South Yorkshire.

Firefighters and police offi-

broke out shortly after 2am. Peter and Linda King, Kay

Estate keeper denies badger deaths

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By Helen Johnstone

A DIARY found at the home of a gamekeeper listed the killing of wild animals, including more than a hundred badgers, a court was told vesterday.

Magistrates at High Wycombe, Buckingham-

shire, were told that the animals were killed on Sir Francis Dashwood's estate at West Wycombe. where Leslie Morris was a The journal allegedly

found in Mr Morris's cottage catalogued the deaths of the badgers and also many foxes, cats, dogs and protected species.

Mr Morris, 28, who was employed by the Braden-ham Hill shooting syndi-cate, denies killing an unknown number of badgers, interfering with a sett. illegally setting snares and killing a buzzard and a sparrowhawk.

Abi Nixon for the prosecution, told the court: The defendant saw badgers as vermin and boasted bow he intended to rid the area of them."

Jason Runciman, a former underkeeper at the estate, told the court he gave up his job after nine years because he did not like what was going on. "I became aware Les was shooting badgers, hawks and buzzards. He never kept the careasses. He put them down holes."

He said that Mr Morris had filled in a badger sett by pouring creosote down it and blocking it with chicken wire, and that he had seen a vixen shot and her cubs fed live

to terriers. Mr Runeiman denied during cross-examination that he was acting out of malice because he had a grudge to settle against his former employers. The case continues.

Baby 'murdered by childminder in fit of temper'

A five-month-old boy was like a 'rag doll' after he was allegedly shaken by his carer, reports Michael Horsnell

accused of murdering a five-month-old baby shook him in a "flash of temper" just four days after starting the job, a jury was told yesterday. Joseph Mackin was like a

"rag doll" when his father arrived at Helen Stacey's house to collect him. Norwich Crown Court was told that the normally happy baby was shaken by Mrs Stacey, now 41, and had suffered fatal brain haemorrhaging.
Mrs Stacey, from North
Walsham, Norfolk, who has

four children of her own, had been placed on the official list of registered childminders less than five months earlier by Norfolk County Council's social services department.

During police interviews, she allegedly injected "little bits of poison" against the baby's parents. Anthony Mackin, an air traffic controller at RAF Coltishall, and his wife Corinne, a nursing assistant, in an attempt to shift responsibility for the death.

Mrs Stacey, a former pensions adminstrator with Norwich Union, denies murdering Joseph at her home on May 13 last year, two days after he had been christened. David Stokes, QC, for the prosecution, told the jury of



Joseph Mackin was a happy, contented baby

eight women and four men that the cause of death was head injuries from shaking and possibly also the baby being thrown onto a cot mattress or sofa.

At the beginning of last year, Mrs Mackin — who also has a daughter Samantha, aged three - decided to return to work at the Little Plunstead Hospital near Norwich and needed someone to care for her children. Mrs Mackin, 36, herself a former childminder, told the jury she had been happy to engage Mrs Stacey after receiving the list of



safety and security conscious, and had a daughter slightly older than Joseph.

On the day he died, she had eft for work at 6.20am, having fed him and changed his nappy. Mrs Mackin said: That morning he was fine, his usual smiling self. He was kicking about and making cooing noises. He had rosy cheeks because he was teething. When I left the house, he was just lying in the cot looking at his mobile. He was fine. Joseph was a chubby baby. He was very contented and used to smile at anybody."

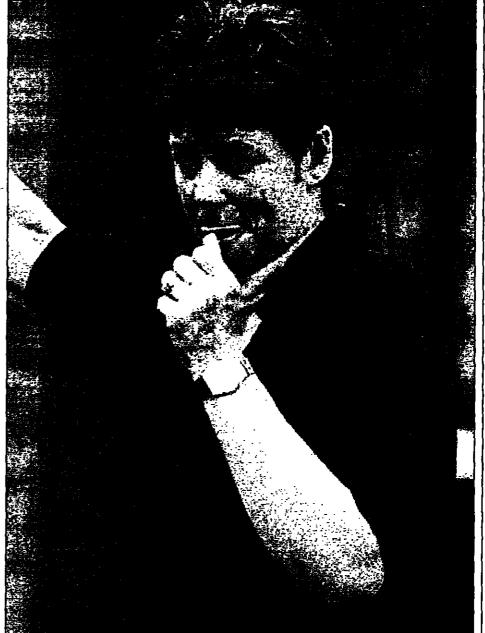
After receiving a call from her husband that evening, she rushed to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital's accident and emergency department.
"My husband came out to
greet me and told me he had died," she said.

Four days later, Mrs Mackin was told by police that the death was being treated as suspicious. She said that Mrs Stacey had made no attempt to contact her.

Mr Mackin, 32, said that in the evening when he arrived to pick up his children, Mrs Stacey had appeared "very nervous" and said that Joseph had been "snuffly and grizzly".

"I thought it odd initially. She said she didn't have the doctor's telephone number. I found it strange because I was sure that that was information my wife had given her," Mr Mackin said.

"He was very sleepy, the skin round his eyes was quite dark and there was a blue tinge to his lips. He was slatey grey. As soon as I saw him, I knew there was something dreadfully wrong. I asked if he was breathing and she said, h. yes.' I bent down to pick him up, and I looked to see if he was breathing. He was, but it was very faint breathing. He was just like a rag doll. He



Helen Stacey denies murdering five-month-old Joseph Mackin, who was in her care

was very floppy." Mr Mackin strapped Joseph into his car and drove quickly to his GP's surgery in North Walsham, where Dr Richard Young attempted resuscitation while

awaiting an ambulance. After all attempts to revive him had failed, Mr Mackin received a telephone call from Mrs Stacey at the hospital. He told the jury: "I told her he was dead. I remember her saying she was 'absolutely gobsmacked' at what had

happened." Mrs Stacey's application to be registered as a childminder was granted in December

first-aid course. She seemed to be an ideal person for the family's purposes. Mr Stokes said, and the couple paid two visits to her home which they found to be clean, tidy and well equipped.

Under the auspices of the National Childminding Association. the two women signed separate contracts for the care of both Joseph and Samantha. In them, Mrs Mackin listed emergency telephone numbers for the GP as well as both parents' numbers at work.

The children were taken to Mrs Stacey's house on May 8, 1997, for the first time and no

for the first three days.Mr Stokes told the jury that some time during the fourth day. "there was an incident in which this defendant lost her temper with this child and shook it, causing devastating fatal injuries". During interviews with police, Mrs Stacey denied any incident had occ-urred while Joseph was in her

Mr Stokes said: "Her behaviour was that of someone with a guilty conscience. Little bits of poison directed against the Mackins was indicative of her willingness to blame anyone save herself."

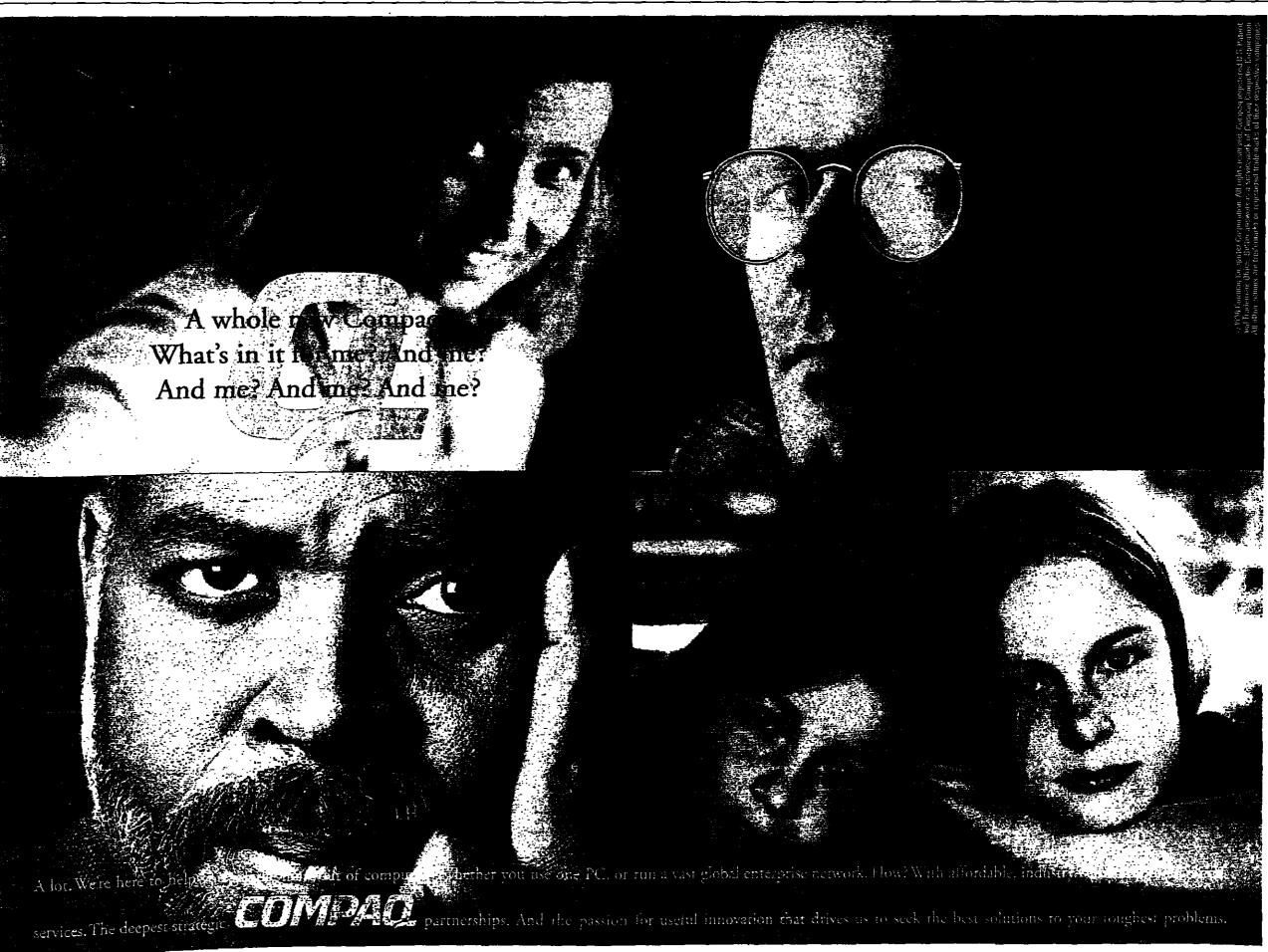
Wayne Tarry, a neighbour, said: "I could see flames billowing out of the windows. Some of the other neighbours were already in the street, and I just prayed that the family

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WHEN Dr Steven Hindley used a drill to treat a brain injury in the Australian Outback, he was continuing a medical tradition that has its origins in the Stone Age.

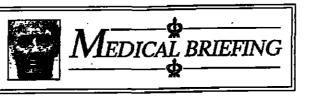
The making of a hole through the skull to let out blood or fluid - or, as Stone Age and subsequent medicine men thought, evil spirits is called trepanning. The name comes from the Greek

"trypanon", meaning an auger, a carpenter's brace and

By the late 19th century, doctors were using a trephine which is a crown saw, a circular gouge with a handle like a corkscrew's handle. which neatly removes a disc of bone from the skull. Even at the turn of the century, newly qualified doctors did not buy only a stethoscope

and a torch for looking into eyes and ears like today's medical students, but also a set of instruments including a trephine so that, should they be confronted in some distant spot with a person who needed to have their skull opened.

they would be equipped. Dr Hindley's patient must have suffered a bleed over the surface of the brain, as a brain. This could have been result of a collision while



playing football. The fluid accumulates under the skull and acts like a slow-growing tumour pressing on the

extradural, and probably arterial, as the footballer was

The patient would have had a lucid interval in which

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tion is all-important. Holes are bored into the skull, the dura, the covering of the brain, is exposed and cut so that the black tarry blood can be removed. This, as the Australians have discovered can produce a seemingly miraculous cure.

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Straw unveils plans to end asylum abuses

Richard Ford reports on government plans to halt

immigrants' rights to challenge deportation orders

THOUSANDS of asylumseekers and immigrants will lose the right to challenge deportation orders under proposals unveiled yesterday to streamline the appeal system and cut the £151 million cost. Anyone overstaying their

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admission to the country would no longer have the right to appeal against being deported. Others who have been refused entry would get one right of appeal covering the refusal grounds and their

The package of measures to overhaul the immigration and asylum appeals system is intended to end abuses and hasten appeals. At present, 23.000 people are waiting to have appeal applications resolved and 51,000 are awaiting an initial decision on their asylum application.

Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, said that reform was needed because the present system had been overwhelmed by numbers, increasingly complex laws and people deliberately abusing it by prolonging cases for so long that it was impractical to get them out of the country.

Mr Straw accused some solicitors and "bent unofficial immigration" advisers - of milking the system and encouraging people to string out their applications to be allowed to stay in the country.

*Unscrupulous immigration advisers and unscrupuamounts of money out of it," he said. "They are wholly abusive. They say just put in are here the more difficult it will be to remove you'."

Mr Straw said that too many people were abusing the system at the moment. He said that one of his own constituents, from Gujarat, had been seeking asylum for five years on the basis that he



Straw: "Unscrupulous are milking the system"

faced persecution and death if he returned home. The man had now complained about the long delay, saying he wanted his passport back so that he could go on holiday -to the village from which he claimed to have been driven. Mr Straw's move to reform

the appeals system is the first in a series of measures to be announced on asylum and immigration policy. A White Paper to be published later this month will look at the role of detention for asylum-seekers and there are plans to regulate immigration advisers after complaints that some prey on vulnerable members of the ethnic minority

communities. Under the Government's peals system, the existing two tiers would be replaced with a single mechanism. In an attempt to curb the rise in judicial review applications in asylum and immigration cases, the Home Secretary wants to give the Immigration Appeal Tribunal more authority so that it becomes a court of record headed by a High Court or circuit judge. More than 1,748 applications were

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made in 1996 for a judicial review of an appeal ruling; only 30! were allowed. Mr Straw also wants more appeal hearings to be heard on paper rather than being argued

The consultation paper, is-sued by the Home Office and the Lord Chancellor's Department, also suggests that applicants go outside southeast England, where their cases could be heard in weeks. It also proposes using spare capacity in magistrates' courts to reduce the backlog.

Figures in the consultation paper estimate that the total cost of the appeals system including hearings, legal aid and social benefits has risen from £85 million in 1994-95 to £151 million in 1996-97.

The Refugee Council said asylum-seekers were being blamed for delays that were not their fault: "There are some positive ideas, like the consolidated appeal, but others, like the proposal to take away the right to an oral hearing, are of great concern."

The council said that it was wrong to view the proposals as a clampdown on asylum-seekers stringing out the procedure. It said that many adjournments in appeal hearings were outside the control of asylum-seekers. The Refugee Legal Centre

said its figures showed that the courts adjourned 769 cases, the Home Office asked and the centre asked for 415 adjournments. Claude Moraes, director of

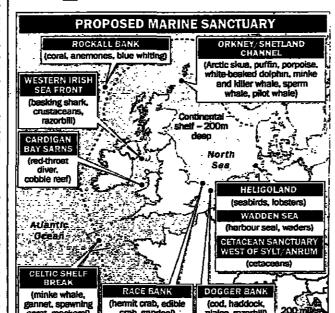
the Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants, said: "The Government had to act on the scandalous backlog of over 50,000 cases which has caused suffering to asylumseekers and their families."

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Home win: Karen Smith, 37, right, who bought a lottery ticket at an off-licence she runs in Liverpool, celebrates a £1.6million win with her family

Special care urged for marine sites



By NICK NUTTALL, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

A NETWORK of protected areas for seals, dolphins, seabirds and rare corals is being urged by wildlife campaigners as ministers prepare for an important conference on the fate of the North-East Atlantic

The World Wide Fund for Nature yesterday called on the help to protect marine wildlife, to be discussed at this month's meeting of the Oslo-Paris Commission (OSPAR), a body responsible for regulating the North-East Atlantic maritime

The aim is to give the area. which includes the North Sea. and the Western Approaches, the same kind of conservation status enjoyed by the Baltic.

Sea and the Arctic Sea under conventions such as the Helsinki. Barcelona and Bucharest

A spokesman for the De-

partment of the Environment. Transport and the Regions said yesterday that John Prescott, who will represent Britain at the conference, was But wildlife campaigners want ministers from the 16 OSPAR nations to go a step further by backing a scheme to put special conservation mea-

sures into place at certain

Scientists and campaigners have drawn up a list of ten key sites, covering areas in the North Sea around Britain, north of Holiand and off the west coast of Germany. The

sites are not only important habitats for rare species but serve a vital purpose as mass feeding and breeding grounds

for birds and spawning fish. Sarah Jones of the WWF said yesterday that once the list of marine protected areas had been agreed, specific management plans could be oil and gas activity and fishing. Measures may include only permitting tankers with restricting the kinds of trawlers and nets allowed into the

This would put pressure on authorities such as the International Maritime Organisation and the European Union fisheries ministers to recog-

Scientist's 'torture' over BSE By Michael Hornsby, agriculture correspondent A SCIENTIST claimed yesterday to have been subjected to "mental torture" because his

outspoken views on the risks posed to public health by "mad cow" disease irked the scientific and Civil Service establishment. Harash Narang, a microbi-

ologist who was made redundant from his government-funded job in the Public Health Laboratory Service four years ago after being found guilty of misconduct, told the BSE inquiry that many lives could have been saved" if his warnings had been heeded. He accused his superiors of

prematurely terminating research that could have established a link between BSE and a new strain of the human brain disorder, Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, six years earlier than it was.

Dr Narang, 56, said that before BSE he had "worked away happily without political interference. Although my laboratory facilities were primitive, I was very happy. Since BSE appeared I am constantly being mentally tortured. I

He said that he had come across "atypical" cases of CJD for the first time as long ago as hamsters and mice. "By 1990 these experiments were well advanced and were giving clear preliminary indications

that they were CJD cases infected with the BSE strain." Dr Narang said. But Dr Nigel Lightfoot, his superior, had closed down the experiment and had the animals

"Had these experiments been completed ... we would have been in no doubt about the link between BSE and CJD and many lives could have been saved," Dr Narang said. His claims were rejected in

a separate statement submitted to the inquiry by the PHLS board, which said it was "not apparent" that Dr Narang's experiments would have produced evidence of a clear link

The PHLS also denied trying to halt Dr Narang's re-



Narang: said that lives

search, although it said the trial animals had been moved temporarily to a veterinary laboratory while the test facilities at the PHLS were refurbished. The inquiry continues.

Science gets £1.1bn extra for research

By NICK NUTTALL

BRITISH science and technology was given a boost yesterday as the Government announced extra spending of £1.1 billion on research.

The funds, announced in advance of today's general comprehensive spending review, will be spent over three ears and are on top of the £1.34 billion science budget for 1999 until 2002.

The Wellcome Trust is contributing £600 million of the £1.1 billion, with the lion's share earmarked for upgrading laboratories and ageing

equipment.
Margaret Beckett, President of the Board of Trade. announced the funding yes-

terday with Gordon Brown. She said that it "reverses the decline under the previous Government and is made possible by a pathbreaking public private partnership with the Wellcome Trust".

John Mulvey of Save British Science. a pressure group of academics, said yesterday that the funds were a good start for returning worldclass support for a worldclass science and engineering base". He said the extra money from central Government "more than compensates for the real-terms cuts of the previous two years".

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Opera singer wins fight over Coca-Cola leg injury

By Dalya Alberge

AN OPERA singer yesterday won her legal fight against English National Opera over a leg injury, which she maintained had been caused by the spraying of Coca-Cola on a rehearsal studio floor.

Janis Kelly tore a ligament and was in pain for two years after her foot "stuck" to the floor of a studio at the Coliseum in London, when she was practising a dance routine for Purcell's The

Fairy Queen. She won £11.566 damages in November last year from ENO, which was found by a judge at the Central London County Court to have acted negligently in "Coking" the floor to make it more adhesive

for dancers. ENO took the case to the Court of Appeal yesterday, claiming that it had not used the practice known as "Coking" on that particular studio and that the accident. in September 1995, could have been caused by performing the dance step incorrectly.

Lord Justice Buxton, dismissing the appeal, said that Judge Ryland had found that Miss Kelly was an honest witness and had dismissed the ENO's claims that she was "unreliable and prone to gilding the lily". He said that Miss Kelly had not known about "Coking" until it was explained to her by a stagehand after her accident. Miss Kelly, a mother of

four-year-old triplets who has been a professional singer for 20 years, was backed by the stage union Equity. She had given evidence that her right foot had stuck to the floor because of the "sticky substance" and her knee was twisted when she tried to perform "a very simple pivot". She said after the hearing:

This case has gone on for a very long time and I am glad it's all over now. The accident did not stop me from working but I was in pain for tv

Miss Kelly is now rehearsing for Mozart's La Finta semplice, which will be performed at the Buxton Music

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Michael Evans examines revelations about germ warfare programme

M15 and police have reopened files on six people who died in Britain in the 1980s and early 1990s, apparently of strokes or heart attacks, but who may have been murdered as part of a secret germ warfare programme operated by the apar-

theid regime in South Africa. The disclosures follow unprecedented co-operation between the South African and British intelligence services. The dead were known to be working in Britain against the apartheid regime, or had knowledge of Pretoria's secret operation in the 1980s to acquire and develop chemical and biological weapons.

The first hint that the deaths - all attributed to natural causes - may have been suspicious came after evidence assassination plots

BEFORE his sudden death in

1992. Peter Martin was con-

vinced he was being followed.

according to Rosemary Dur-

rant his fiancée (Michael

She was so concerned when

the counter-terrorism expert

died that she arranged for

skin tissue to be removed after

his post-mortem examination

in Oxford. The tissue is now

expected to be re-examined in

Mrs Durrant told The

Times yesterday: "Peter said

he had been approached

about biological warfare and

that he had been to Porton

Down to receive special train-

ing. He also told me that he

had informed the authorities

about the South African ap-

proach. He was very worried

about biological substances

getting into the wrong

Mrs Durrant said her for-

mer fiance had led an extraor-

dinary life and had reason to

be afraid from a number of

different sources, not just

from his knowledge of the

South African biological war-

fare programme. Several

home in Kirtlington in Ox-

terrible pain, Mrs Durrant

said. "There was no explana-

the new investigation.

Evans writes).

emerged from the Truth and hearings in Cape Town last

White former senior South African officials and military leaders who participated in the chemical and biological weapons programme. code-named Project Coast, have told of plots to develop poisons to induce heart failure, cancer and sterility in the black population. They have also revealed plans to produce weapons, including screw-drivers tipped with deadly bacteria or chemicals, to kill opponents of apartheid in

Europe and America. One of the deaths being reassessed is that of Peter Martin, who was managing director of Special Training Services, a defunct company

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went for a brain scan two

weeks before he died but

Her concerns are supported

by Jim Shorn, a former asso-

ciate of Mr Martin who

worked as a project director at

Special Training Services and

is now director-general of the

International Bodyguards As-

sociation. He said that he and

Mr Martin had been ap-

proached by Brigadier Wou-

cine at an hotel in Blooms-

accompanied by the South

Mr Shortt said: "He was

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Basson during an

nothing was found."

based in London that provided Reconciliation Commission advice on counter-terrorism and supplied bodyguards. According to a former associate. Mr Martin contacted MI6 when he was approached by a

South African military commander who asked him to arrange training in nuclear, biological and chemical (NBC) warfare defence. The associate said that Mr Martin was told to co-operate with the South African and to keep MI6 informed.

According to his fiancée at the time, Rosemary Durrant, Mr Martin, a former army intelligence officer, spent the last few months of his life in constant fear. He died of a massive stroke, aged 62, in 1992. A post-mortem examination found nothing suspicious. Mr Martin's file and that of

gave him brochures. His story

was that he needed informa-

tion about defence against

biological warfare because

South African troops operat-

ing in Angola and Mozam-

bique faced possible chemical

and germ attacks by Russian

He added: " We were very

suspicious. It was arranged

for Peter and 1 to have a one

day course at Porton Down's

Winterbourne Gunnery, the

cal defence school, near War-

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and Cuban elements."

about five others were reopened after a senior official from South Africa's revamped National Intelligence Agency contacted M16 and M15 and briefed them about Project Coast's British connections. Apart from the suspicious deaths, a white South African general involved in Project Coast has claimed that Britain's chemical and biological defence establishment at Porton Down. Wiltshire, was

In an interview with the veteran reporter Tom Mangold for a BBC Panorama programme, Plague Wars, tonight. Lieutenant-General Niels Knobel, former Surgeon-General of the South African Defence Force, says: "Porton Down was a world leader in this area. We got top-secret manuals from Porton Down. They were either stolen or given to us."

The information supplied

by the National Intelligence Agency included evidence that Project Coast involved assassinations in Europe, especially in The Netherlands, where there were many anti-apartheid organisations, and possi-

At the time of the deaths of the six people now under investigation, there was no evidence of foul play. But every effort is now being made to see whether they could have been murdered. Although the deaths are largely a police matter, MI5 and MI6 are concerned about the possible proliferation of germ warfare knowledge and technology from South Africa. The head of Project Coast, Brigadier Wouter Basson, former commander of 7 Medical Battalion Group, ex-special forces and heart specialist to former President Botha, was spotted in Libya, a country known to

weapon programme. Brigadier Basson, who is on bail facing ten charges, including conspiracy to murder, had his own British headquarters at a cottage in Berkshire. At ation Commission hearings last month, Jan Lourens, a South African scientist and head of a company called Protechnic, said that he had

have a chemical and biological



Wouter Basson, head of Project Coast, which is said to have ordered assassinations

gave vials of deadly poison to a known that Brigadier Basson contact known only as "Trevor" at the cottage. Protechnic was alleged to be a front company for Project

Intelligence sources indicated that the cottage in Berkshire was not considered to have been a major headquarters for operations in Britain and Europe. However, it was raided by two detectives from the Special Fraud Office last year as part of an investigation into the laundering of more than £1 million, allegedly connected to Project Coast. Files and papers were found

hidden in a cupboard. It is also

met Mr Martin on two occa-sions and asked for a training course in NBC defence.

The intelligence sources said the investigation into the small number of deaths had been launched as a cautionary measure to discover if there were any suspicious circumstances and if there was any evidence that the dead had been poisoned. They admitted, however, that some biological agents were extremely difficult to detect.

A spokesman for Porton Down, now run by the Defence Research and Evaluation Agency at Farnborough,

Hampshire, said that they were aware of the allegations that the establishment had been penetrated by South African agents, but that there had been no breach of security. If there was any evidence that secret documents had been handed over, they

would like to see it. There had been no inquiry into the allegations. The spokesman indicated, however, that checks had been made on Brigadier Basson. We're absolutely sure that Wouter Basson has never been to Porton Down," he said.

Mandela adviser's underwear laced with poison

By MICHAEL EVANS

THE chemical and biological warfare programme in South Africa, exposed by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, included plans to put cholera into the water supply

in Mozambique. The man who was appar ently in charge of the clandestine project was Brigadier Wouter Basson, 47, who has so far refused to give evidence at hearings in Cape Town but has sat, often with a smile on his face, while the revelations have unfolded. He has denied all of the allegations.

Men involved in the programme, called Project Coast, have told how Frank Chikane, a close adviser to Nelson Mandela, survived two attempts on his life in which his underpants were laced with poison that began to seep into the pores of his skin.

There were also plans to give President Mandela doses of thallium, to cause brain damage, while he was a prisoner of the apartheid regime.

According to Panorama tonight, another victim may have been Garth Bailey, a South African who had worked in the biological warfare programme but became disillusioned. He died suddenly of a stroke but it is suspected that he was killed with snake poison. His widow, Daphne White, who lives in Maidstone, Kent, said: "He was murdered because he knew too much about what was going on."

Brigadier Basson had apparently been ordered to destroy all the paperwork on Project Coast and to put the research into I2 CD-Roms, to be held in a safe at the headquarters of 7 Medical Battalion Group. When his home was raided by South African police, however, they discovered documents relating to the secret project.

The West feared that the South Africans might pass on their knowledge about biological warfare to maverick regimes such as Libva Brigadier Basson did visit Libya, but was warned by a Western intelligence agent never to go there again

Doorstep gasman takes it as read

tion. He was physically fit. He African military attaché and I

By NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

low utility companies to read meters from outside the home was given the go-ahead by the Government yesterday

The hand-held meter reader uses radio waves to activate and receive a reading from the doorstep or the street. The system has been approved by the Radiocommunications Agency which will allocate the frequencies needed for the new equipment to work.

Barbara Roche. Minister for Trade and Industry, said: "Waiting for the meter to be read can be the last thing you want to do if you are in a hurry to get out. Allocating part of

TECHNOLOGY that will al- the radio spectrum to allow companies to tune in and read the meter could bring this chore to an end."

The agency and the utilities believe that the technology will be available within the next two years. The radio spectrum used will allow data to be collected that can be used for billing as well as predicting and controlling peak demand rates, identify-ing faults and combating ille-

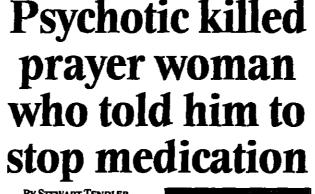
gal tampering with meters. There are plans for shared frequencies for the utilities with a channel to be awarded to a third party to read meters for other businesses.

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By Stewart Tendler and Alexandra Frean

A DEAF and mute teenager suffering from psychotic illness battered to death a woman who had taken him into her home and persuaded him to give up his medication in favour of prayer.

Daniel Joseph, 19, was ordered to be detained under the Mental Health Act without limit of time by the Old Bailey yesterday, after admitting the manslaughter of Carla Thompson, 57, on the grounds of diminished responsibility.

Joseph, who is oft 7ins tall. battered his victim, tried to set fire to her hair and left her unconscious in front of her flat in Brixton, southeast London. He then turned against her neighbour, Agnes Erume, 57. When police arrived, the two women were lying in the road badly injured with a noose around their necks.

When police tried to arrest Joseph, the contents of three CS sprays failed to subdue him and it took half a dozen officers to overcome him. A charge of attempted murder for the attack on Miss Erume was left on the file.

An inquiry into the case has been set up by South Thames NHS Executive, which will look at the range of mental health services provided in South London. Joseph's mother. Claudette. said that she had become aware that her son was no longer taking his medication, and had warned his doctors that she could foresee "dangerous things". Nobody took any action. It is

their fault," she said. Police also questioned yesterday why there were no checks on Joseph and whether

he was taking his medication. The Old Bailey was told that Mrs Thompson, a former copywriter, had her own psychiatric problems and had



Joseph: his mother told doctors of trouble ahead

David Perry, for the prosecution, said: "She believed Mr Joseph's problems could be overcome with faith and prayer. It appears she discouraged him from taking medicine." Joseph had been treated at

St Thomas' Hospital and sent to the Pathfinder National Deaf Service. He went temporarily to a home in Wandsworth, South London, but discharged himself rather than move to another home in Devon. His mother began attempts to have him committed, but he went to Mrs Thompson, a family friend.

Andrew Payne, a Broadmoor psychiatrist, said that Joseph had responded well after being put back on to medication. "I believe his mental illness will continue to improve," he said.

After the case, Marjorie Wallace, chief executive of the mental-health charity SANE, said that the case was "the most shocking incident to date of preventable death", and added: "Daniel Joseph was placed in a hostel in the community but allowed to discharge himself to live with another former psychiatric

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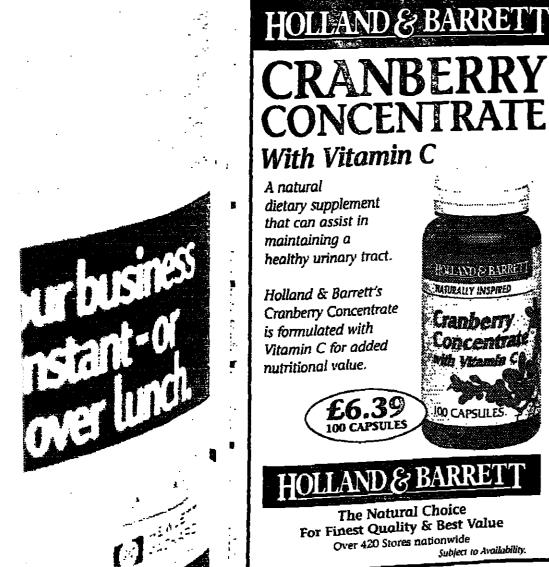
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Sending and receiving e-mail is as simple as connecting to the Internet and follows much the same pattern - so again, you must have an e-mail

account with a service provider either privately or through your office. Switch on your PC and phone, line up the infra-red ports and to send or receive e-mail, dial into your office or service provider. Then click on the e-mail or the in-box icons. You need only be on-line to transmit and receive e-mails, so you can read and write them at your leisure without tying up your phone line, keeping your costs down as well as your line free for other business.

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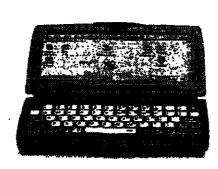
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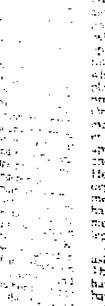
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Puttnam to head £200m 'board of British ideas' THE film-maker and Labour peer Lord Puttnam is to head the new national fund that will spend millions of pounds events and the new national fund that will spend millions of pounds events are consolation. Puttnam to head £200m British ideas' Dalya Alberge on the Government's decision to appoint "an overthy party political figure". He said that the rosition was a consolation to seven the consolation to seven the consolation to the said that the rosition was a consolation to seven the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation that the consolation the consolation that the consolation that the consolati

ery year on promoting talented inventors, designers and

Nesta - the National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts — was launched yesterday with £200 million pledged from the National Lottery. The aim is that British innovators will no longer have a local at a lo longer have to look abroad to fund and develop their ideas. Chris Smith, the Culture Secretary, described Nesta as the

"national bank for talent". At the launch, held at the British Library, Lord Puttnam said: "We are a nation, by and large, of relatively low aspira-tions. It would be nice if Nesta could alter that."

Lord Puttnam, 57, will chair a board of eight trustees, ranging from the medical scientist Dame Bridget Ogilvie to the television presenter Carol Vorderman. The £200 million endowment will pro-vide them with funds of about E10 million pounds a year. The details of exactly how

nurture the nation's creative talent

the Second World War origi-nated in Britain. "We have not the trustees will choose to distribute the money have yet. been good at building on our to be worked out. But, for example, a gifted musician could be provided with tuition own creativity," he said. Through Nesta Britain could or masterclasses, and an inbreak down the "artificial ventor could be helped with barriers" between the arts and sciences and "help to turn skills into careers and ideas with prototyping or securing patents. Nesta will seek a share in successful ventures, into products". He observed such as through royalties, using any revenue to bolster that of the ten largest com-panies in America, six did not exist 20 years ago: "All started in garages of their owners as its lottery income.
The fund will have the same

Lord Puttnam noted Britmaking. The trustees expect to be inundated with applica-tions, although grants could also be awarded on the basis ain's supreme creativity worldwide in the field of video games. Many were originated in the "garages of Gateshead" and elsewhere, yet their cre-ators and the British economy were often failing to reap the rewards from distribution and copyright. Nesta would help to

position was a consolation prize for Lord Puttnam after his failure last week to be appointed vice-chairman of

The eight trustees, chosen from 400 applicants, are Carol Vorderman: Dr Christopher Evans, OBE, 40, a biochemist and entrepreneur; Professor Sir Martin Rees, 56, Astronomer Royal and a fellow of King's College, Cambridge; Dame Bridget Ogilvie, 60, director of the Wellcome Trust and a trustee of the Science Museum; David Wardell, 38, head of the national body to support and advise inventors: Francois Matarasso, 39, a director of the Intellectual Property Development Confederation; Clive Gillinson, 52, managing director of the London Symphony Orchestra; and Genista McIntosh. 51, exeuctive director of the Royal National Theatre.

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Tories alter stance on hereditary peers

By James Landale

WILLIAM HAGUE began yesterday the delicate task of ending his party's support for hereditary peers by announcing a constitutional commission to examine ways of reforming the House of Lords. But the launch was overshadowed by a leaked party memo which suggested that the commission would not be as independent as first appeared. The memo, by Viscount Cranborne, the Tory leader in the Lords, said the commission should be chaired by a senior Tory figure and should avoid tiresome recommendations that the party might find hard to accept.

Yesterday Mr Hague insist-ed: "It will start with not political instructions and no party preconceptions. There will be no nudges or winks as to its findings."

Lord Mackay of Clashfern,

the respected but nevertheless Tory former Lord Chancellor, will chair the commission. Another members will be Lord Hurd of Westwell, the Tory former Foreign Secretary.

Labour must ioin debate on Lords reform

WILLIAM HAGUE'S decision to set up a commission Lords can be read in several on the future of the House or ways: as a shrewd tactical move to outmanoeuvre the Government; as balancing Lord Cranborne, Tory leader in the Lords, and Liam Fox. its new constitutional affairs spokesman; as bridging differing views within the Tory party; and as educating hereditary peers on the probability of their demise. Even though it is not as independent as Mr Hague claimed yesterday, the mere existence of such an inquiry shows that he knows the party has to take strategic position rather than just seek tactical advantage. The commission will broaden what has so far been an inadequate public debate. Admittedly, some of Mr

Hague's comments take a bit of swallowing given the Tory record. "We accept that in recent years government may have become too powerful

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and that there is a strong case for real reform of Parliament to reinforce democratic accountability and parliamentary scrutiny." That has been obvious to many outsiders for some time, but it would be uncharitable not to welcome

even a repented sinner. The inquiry, under Lord Mackay of Clashfern, has been asked to reconcile inherently incompatible criteria. The Hague/Cranborne principles are that any reformed chamber must be better at scrutinising and revising legislation than the present one: a substantial independent element must remain; the Prime Minister's powers of patronage must not be increased: the members must be drawn from all parts of the UK: reform must be considered in the context of its effects on Parliament as a whole; and the supreme authority of the Commons as the focus of democratic accountability must remain intact. Cynics may wonder whether the inescapable, conservative, concluwould be better than the

tax privileges as a charity and

be independent in its decision-

At the launch yesterday Mr

Smith spoke of a report by the

Japanese government that showed that 40 per cent of the

inventions and products that

had fuelled its economy since

of nominations.

current system. The key principles are those concerning the implications for Parliament and the Commons. That link is understood by members of Lord Irvine's committee on Lords reform, but no minister has yet discussed the implications. Any change in the composition of the Lords will inevitably affect the balance between the two chambers. The current pingpong between the two Houses over student fees in Scottish universities shows the potential extent of the powers of the Lords at present. However, if the Lords is seen, or sees itself as more legitimate, following the removal of hereditary peers, then it will be more likely to use its powers. That instability is the real danger of an interim stage between abolition and long-term reform rather than much exaggerated Tory fears about creating a House full of prime ministerial nominees which would take a long-time to happen because of the big party imbalance among existing life peers.

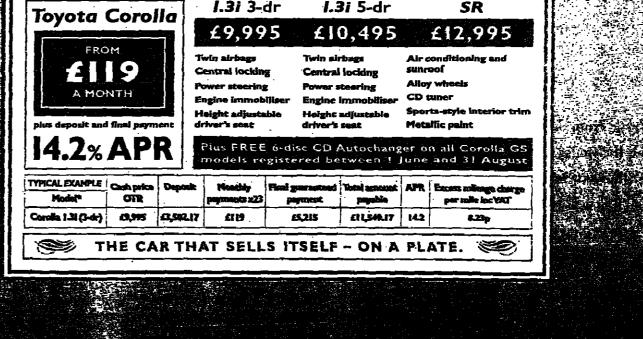
The Mackay inquiry will really have to start by looking at the role of the Commons in the light of devolution and the Human Rights Bill — let alone at the possible implications of electoral reform (which the Tories strongly oppose). That leads on to the role of a second chamber. whether it should, for example, have enhanced powers in protecting the constitution? Only then is it sensible to examine composition: whether to have a mixed appointed/elected element, and the basis of election? However desirable an independent/crossbench ment is, I believe it will be hard to sustain two classes of member, one with democratic

legitimacy and one without. At least the Tories are asking the right questions. The Labour leadership behaves, publicly at least, as if bashing hereditary peers is sufficient justification. It is not. The Government needs to start joining the debate.

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Russia turns its back on burial of Romanovs

WITH solemn martial steps, a Russian guard of honour has rehearsed the slow march bearing the nine oak coffins to their final resting place. Workmen have been frantically laying new asphalt, painting the peeling vault and tidying the neglected Peter and Paul Fortress. A priest has been engaged to intone the rites, for the murdered tsar, his family and his servants. 80 years

But as St Petersburg prepares for an interment steeped in history and emotion. Russia is turning its back on Nicholas IL The solemn ceremony on Friday to honour the bones found in a shallow grave in Siberia has created so many schisms and stirred up political sensitivities to such an extent that most of the leading representatives of Church and State will stay away.

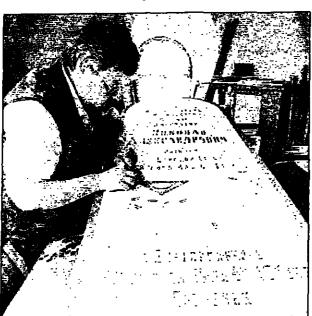
The chairman of the Duma yesterday announced that pariament would decide today

Even the closest relatives of the tsar are staying

away, writes Michael Binyon

not to send an official delegation to St Petersburg, because Nicholas II was not the emperor but a private individual when he was shot. Patriarch Aleksi II will not be officiating. and President Yeltsin, who had originally planned an elaborate ceremony of reconciliation, will also stay away. as will most European royalty.

The final blow came last week when the tsar's heirs announced their withdrawal. Grand Duchess Leonida Georgiyevna, grandmother of 16-year-old Prince Georgi, one



The last gilded letters are applied to the gravestone of fake marble that will mark the Romanov remains

of the leading pretenders to the Romanov throne, announced that her family would not be attending because they were unhappy with the arrangements, which they consider too low-key.

The ceremony will nevertheless draw mourners from unlikely quarters. Mikhail Gorbachev, the last head of the Leninist state that ordered the execution of the tsar and his family, will be there, as will Prince Michael of Kent, a Russian-speaking distant relative. About 70 members of the

scattered Romanov family will come from Switzerland, France and other places of exile. The Vatican is sending an archbishop and the most senior Roman Catholic archbishop in Russia, and Muslim and Jewish religious leaders will be present. Boris Nemtsov, the Deputy Prime Minister, will represent the Government, and ambassadors from more than 25 countries, including Britain and America, will also be there.

The bones have been taken from the mortuary in Yekaterinburg where they were sent after exhaustive DNA tests. They have been loaded into crates to be flown to St Petersburg on Thursday and a hearse will take them to the fortress, the traditional burial place of former tsars.

A planned guard of honour lining the streets has been scrapped. A portrait of the tsar was to have been carried in front of the procession, but now the only decorations will be flags of Russia and St Petersburg and black funeral ribbons.

The bones of Nicholas, Empress Alexandra, three of their daughters, the family doctor and three servants will be interred in the St Catherine chapel of the fortress. No traces of the sickly tsarevich or of his sister Anastasia were Yekaterinburg.



Olga Mathew with her children Alex and Francis at their home in Scotland which they borrow from a friend

Royal housewife to join funeral

By Shirley English

RUSSIAN princess who has lived quietly in the Scottish Highlands for more than decade flies out to St Petersburg today for the state funeral of her great uncle, Tsar Nicholas II.

Princess Olga Romanoff, 48 who modestly describes herself as a housewife — and her son Francis, 19, will join 56 descendants of the Russian dynasty, who have travelled from around the world to attend the event.

It will be the first time that Princess Olga, known simply as Mrs Mathew to her neighbours in Banchory, Aberdeenshire, has ever visited Russia. She was born in London and does not speak the language of her ancestors. Her official Government invitation arrived by post. "It was nothing fancy, just a letter in Russian on plain paper. I had to get it translated," she said.

Although her ancestors ruled a great empire for is separated from her hus-



Olga Mathew's father, Prince Andrew, with his father, the Grand Duke Alexander

band Thomas Mathew, does not have a home to call her own. The cottage she and her three children live in belongs to a friend. She claims her family saw nothing of the immense riches supposedly smuggled out of Russia by the

family were "extremely welloff" when she was young, her fortune has dried up for reasons she does not like to discuss. "We never had any money from the dynasty. That was all myth and rumour. There were so many of us, so many first cousins. I suppose. I have had to borrow money from a friend to attend the

funeral. You could say I am poor, but I manage." For the service, which will also be attended by relatives of the Tsar's murdered servants, she will wear a smart black dress she bought in Aberdeen last year and wore at the memorial service for her cousin, Earl Henry Sondes, in London last February. "It is not a designer dress and it did not cost hundreds of pounds. I bought it in the

President Yeltsin will not be attending the service, which she says is a political decision and "very sad". Princess Olga said: "I want to be there. He was my great uncle and my father often spoke to me about

his life before the revolution. It is part of me, I feel part

Russian." Her father. Prince Andrew. was the Tsar's eldest nephew. When he escaped to England after the revolution he changed his surname to the British spelling Romanoff and was given a grace and favour residence at Frogmore. on the Windsor Estate.

After Friday's service. Princess Olga intends to visit some of her father's childhood haunts. She will go to the Winter Palace, where her father lived with his family. "The corridors stretched to half a mile and if he wanted to play with his cousins he would jump on his bike and cycle there," she said. She nopes to take a trip to Peterhof Palace, the home of her grandmother, which was

built for Catherine the Great. Before marrying Thomas Mathew, who worked in the City, at the age of 25, she was included in a Harpers 8 Queen list of eligible princesses for the then bachelor Prince of Wales.

Moscow borrows £9bn to rescue economy

FROM ROBIN LODGE IN MOSCOW

A PACKAGE of new loans to Russia was announced yesterday, amounting to nearly \$15 billion (192 billion), as the international community finally acted to try to save the economy from collapse.

The bulk of the money is being provided by the International Monetary Fund (IMF). which is putting up \$12.5 billion, under an agreement reached at talks between Anatoli Chubais, the former First Deputy Prime Minister, who is now Russia's chief deba negotiator, and John Odling-Smee, chief of the IMF department for the former Soviet Union. The World Bank will provide a further \$1.7 billion. while Japan has offered \$600 million.

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Mr Odling-Smee said that \$5.6 billion of the IMF loan would be released next week, provided the Duma approves the Government's austerity plan and assuming the package is approved by the IMF board when it meets on Monday. The rest of the money would be released in stages over the next six months.

The agreement is expected to relieve much of the pressure on the rouble, which has been vulnerable over the past lew weeks amid plummeting oil prices and waning investor confidence. The curbing of the hyper-inflation of the early 1990s is recognised as the Government's greatest economic achievement. Moscow had feared that a run on the rouble could bring a return to those times, when people's life savings vanished overnight.

After the announcement Mr Chubais said: "We are convinced that these resources will allow us to strengthen the anti-crisis measures of the Government significantly and will help stabilise and strengthen the economy."

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Please Prime Minister, listen to the pleas of students, lecturers, senior academics and the House of Lords, it 's time to stop the destruction of Scottish universities and to stop your legislation as it stands. This Bill has caused confusion and uncertainty for all new students. It's time to think again.

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Celebrations cancelled as Brazil struggles to accept second best

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A Brazilian in São Paulo

DISILLUSIONED by its defeat by France in the World Cup. Brazil yesterday cancelled a bank holiday that had been announced to welcome the players home. Samba dancer parades and street parties scheduled to take place along Rio de Janeiro's beaches have also been

scrapped. The traditional welcome home party for the players held at Rio's international airport after previous tournaments was called off and the streets of the beachside city were yesterday littered with discarded green and yellow banners, balloons and confetti and with the debris of the dozens of car accidents that happened during hours of drunken chaos after the game.

The players are due to return to

The runners-up can look forward to weeks watched the game under torrential rain and stood speechless

of inquests and analysis, but no parties,

writes Gabriella Gamini in Rio de Janeiro

of being driven through the crowds atop a fire engine on arrival, they will be taken to the Brazilian Football Federation (CBF) offices in a bus. The organisers said that the arrangements were changed because of fears that fans would fail to turn up to receive the players.

Most Brazilians saw the result of the World Cup final with a mixture of disbelief and derision. Suffering a 3-0 defeat against the hosts was seen as all the more shameful

zil's team appeared distracted and uninspired. In the eyes of the public, they gave in without a fight. Virtually the entire population of 160 million had gathered around television sets at home or in bars, or around giant screens in public squares expecting their team to be crowned champions for the fifth time. The classic Brazilian football magic was, however, nowhere to be seen. Millions watched the game in

silence and failed to cheer their

For millions of Brazilians, football has in past decades provided the only source of pride. It has produced heroes, such as Pelé and Garrincha, who defied the laws of gravity with his ball-dribbling skills. For most, it is the only thing that provides distraction from poverty and social injustice.

"Losing this time was all the more painful because we showed none of our skills and gave in so easily," said Galvão Bueno, a Globo Television commentator. "France played a courageous, organised game and we ran around the pitch lost and bewildered and seemingly with no spirit to fight media began a hunt for someone to blame. Mario Zagallo, the team coach, stormed out of a press conference swearing at journalists who asked why be let Ronaldo, the star striker, play only an hour after he had been taken to hospital with convulsions and cold sweats.

Brazilian press reports say the team set out for the Stade de France without Ronaldo and it was announced that Edmundo would replace him in the final. A perturbed Brazilian team failed to emerge on the pitch for warm-up exercises and waited for news of Ronaldo's health in the changing rooms. At the last minute he turned up at the stadium and said he still wanted to play.

Señor Zagallo is likely to shoulder the blame for letting an unfit

ing to all Brazilan newspapers, it had been pressure from Ricardo Teixeira, CBF president, that decided that Ronaldo had to play. "There was a meeting between a distressed Zagallo and a heated Teixeira shortly after the list of players was announced, and it is known that the CBF president ordered that Ronaldo had to play," said O'

Globo newspaper. "Ronaldo was allowed to play although he was clearly not up to it," said Pelé. "The team collapsed without him and was unable to rise above the crisis." An inquest into what went wrong is likely to be called. The Brazilian press will surely spend the next weeks analysing every detail of the hours before, during and after the match.

French hail win by multiracial team

THE French football team celebrated its stunning World Cup victory yesterday with a jubilant parade down the Champs-Elysées to the deafening roars of an estimated half a million fans.

Moving at a snail's pace through the dense sea of flagwaving supporters on an open-top double-decker bus. the stars of French soccer, clad in identical white shirts depicting the World Cup trophy and beige jeans, basked in the sunshine and the applause of the throng.

. Taking it in turns to hold the trophy aloft, the players performed a series of mini-Mexican waves as they passed through the throng, which was held back by an accompanying posse of police.

The most widely heard chant was "Zizou! Zizou!", the nickname of Zinedine Zidane, France's double goal-scorer and the son of an Algerian janitor in whose honour Algerian flags could be seen among the red, white and blue. Fans shouted "Zidane for

Several other leading play-ers, such as Lilian Thuram and Marcel Desailly, are blacks of Caribbean descent. The pride in seeing a mixedrace team winning the first by tension over Arab and African immigration was almost as strong as the thrill of

This shows the entire world that a team from all different origins can work together in a strong and Parisian fan named Thierry. Maybe this will revitalise the multicultural ideal in France but unfortunately there are

always counter-currents." Nadia, an Algerian-born Parisian, said: "Zidane is an Arab and he defended the honour of France. This is very good for us immigrants."

The anti-immigrant National Front offered subdued congratulations to the multiracial team. "The National Front is delighted this symbolic victory has brought the French Soccer triumph has lifted the national mood — and the President's ratings.

reports Ben Macintyre in Paris



Aimé Jacquet, second right, the French coach, with players as their parade passes the Arc de Triomphe

people hope and joy, and made it recover its patriotic reflexes, its national anthem and its flag," it said.

"I was here for the liberation and this is the same," said a celebrant named Michel on the Champs-Elysées, referring to the defeat of the Nazi occupation forces in August 1944, "We always had a losers" mentality, but now we have

Fans scaled lamp-posts and trees to get a better view of Les Bleus and, near the Arc de Triomphe, a giant blue French football shirt was used to clothe an entire building. In another recognition of the unprecedented success of the French team, it was announced that Aimé Jacquet, the coach, will be awarded the Légion d'honneur today. Officials said that the honour

had been approved before the French win against Brazil. After the parade the French players were due to attend a cabaret show at the Lido. The team has also been invited to President Chirac's Bastille

calendar. Tony Blair has written to President Chirac to congratulate him on the host team's performance. "It was a splendid end to a great competition and a fitting tribute to Aimé Jacquet and his team, representing what is best about France. Last night was indeed a true festival of football," the Prime Minister said. The press acclaimed the

national team with a rare unanimity. "It's ours!" de-clared Le Parisien, while France-Soir acclaimed the 'Giants!" of French football. The normally restrained leftof-centre *Libération* bellowed: "La France champicocconne du Moooooonde!"

Today is a national holiday. and after the victory on Sunday night many people stayed away from work yesterday in the tradition of le pont, making a bridge between the weekend and a day off.

For his traditional Bastille

Day televised address, M Chirac has chosen the theme "A winning France", in which he was expected to emphasise again his "happiness and pride" in the French team.

M Chirac has equal reason to be happy at the knock-on effect of France's win on his own popularity, which has hit ment reached its climax. The Interior Ministry re-

leased figures last night showing that during the tourna-ment police had made 1,000 arrests and that 74 people had been given prison sentences. Two hundred were arrested in Marseilles during the England-Tunisia match and in Lens during the Germany-Yugoslavia and the England-Colombia games.

Jean-Pierre Chevènement, the Interior Minister, described the English hooliganism as "pretty dispersed", whereas German troublemakers had been "much more organised and had acted in a methodical way".

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Crash driver who injured 80 revellers was 'psychologically fragile'



Police guard the car after it ploughed into crowds in the Champs-Elysées

BY BEN MACINTYRE

A WOMAN who ploughed her car into crowd of revellers celebrating France's World Cup victory on the Champs-Elysées early yesterday turned herself in to police a few hours later and is expected to undergo

The incident, shortly before 3am local time, when the boulevard was jammed with an estimated 1.5 million football fans, injured 80 people, 11

psychiatric tests

The woman, identified as Nelly N., 44, a state teacher at Elancourt just outside Paris, was described by police as a "psychologically fragile" individual who had "panicked" and driven her car into the crowd.

She was taken into custody in the

due to be moved to the police psychiatric clinic in the capital last night, a

source close to the inquiry said. The incident happened near the Arc de Triomphe, but it was not clear how a car had been able to get on to the packed boulevard, which was closed to traffic. "It was incredible," a witness said. "The car was zig-zagging all over the place. There was panic. People

didn't know what was happening." Police said that the woman was distraught at what had happened and realised "the gravity of her action". She reportedly wandered around Paris for several hours after the incident and firmed to police that she had been undergoing psychiatric treatment for triumph of the French team with a friend at Fouquet's restaurant on the Champs-Elysées. After dropping off her friend, she apparently returned to the boulevard in her car.

After crashing into the crowd, she was assaulted by at least one speciator before she fled, abandoning her vehicle. The injured, none of whose lives are in danger, were taken to nearby hospitals or treated at the scene by a team of 200 emergency workers de ployed under a maximum-alert plan used in terrorist and disaster situations. Another car injured three people,

one seriously, outside Fouquet's. in Grenoble, eastern France, a driver was beaten up after his car crashed into a group of celebrating



by the French postal service to commemorate France's World Cup victory over the holders Brazil on Sunday night



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Cheers as New Yorker **Editor** is chosen

FROM JAMES BONE

THE owner of The New Yorker magazine moved swiftly yesterday to replace Tina Brown by ap-David Řemnick as Editor.

Staff greeted the news with a resounding and prolonged cheer when it was announced in the same 17th-floor hallway where Ms Brown had disclosed her resignation last week. But the choice led to an immediate controversy about a revoked offer to another leading

American journalist.

Michael Kinsley, a former editor of The New Republic who edits Microsoft's on-line Slate. told friends that he had been offered the plum job at The New Yorker on Saturday by its owner S. I. Newhouse - who subsequently withdrew the offer when Mr Kinsley said he wanted to "sleep it

over" until Monday. Mr Remnick, a former Moscow correspondent of The Washington Post who won a Pulitzer prize for his account of the collapse of the Soviet Union in Lenin's Tomb. was brought to The New Yorker by Ms Brown and rapidly became her most successful protégé.

of an established New Yorker writer will help prevent a mass exodus from the loss-making magazine, and gave rise to some speculation that by opting for continuity he might be readying it for an eventual sale.

Remnick is expected to return the magazine to its quieter, literary roots after six years of self-conscious

marry the older traditions with the kind of pizzazz that Tina brought," said

Torturer's quiet death deprives victims of justice

SOUTH AFRICA'S most notorious torturer has died quietly at home, robbing his former victims, including Cabinet ministers, of the chance to make him confess to some of the worst deeds of the apartheid era. Brigadier Theuns "Rooi

Rus" (Red Russian) Swanepoel, 70, described by one of his victims as the Dr Mengele of South Africa, was one of the most feared figures in the country when he served as the chief interrogator of the South African security police. Mac Maharaj, the South African Transport Minister, has described how he was tortured in 1964 by having his penis beaten with a stick studded with rusty nails and was hung by his ankles from a seventhfloor window.

Swanepoel became notorious in the 1960s when one detainee after another pointed him out as the most sadistic and implacable of all apartheid's security policemen. Mr Maharaj said that Swanepoel, reportedly trained in torture by the French in Algeria, had learnt that the most effective



Maharaj: anticipation was the worst torture

torture was a "steady, intermittent use of force, both physical and psychological. where, for the victims, fear dominates the mind".

A particular favourite, routinely used by the security police across the country, was "statue torture", where victims were made to stand inside a chalk circle for hours until swelling of the legs, circulation difficulties and fatigue would cause them to collapse,

producing violent beatings until they stood again. There was no record of anyone successfully resisting this torture, the record of 109 hours being held by Norman Levy, an academic. Another technique was to make the victim crouch against a wall until he colapsed, every bone in his body Swanepoel was not merely

brutal, but calculating. Mr Maharaj said he knew that the worst terrors lay in anticipation. "When undergoing penis torture, the penis was only hit once or twice every 45 minutes, but the anticipation was torturous. I would break into a sweat long before they hit me." Mr Maharaj would deliber-ately provoke another policeman at such points, producing beatings that would render him unconscious.

The torturer remained the chief security police interroga-tor for 12 years and his notoriety was such that he was denounced by name in speeches before the UN General Assembly. He went on to achieve further infamy as the man who gave the order to fire at the protesting schoolchil-dren of Soweto in 1976, starting a bloodbath in which nearly 600 died.

Swanepoel lived quietly in retirement on his pension — still paid by the Mandela Government — in an outer suburb of Johannesburg. He made no move to seek amnesty from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. One of Swanepoel's former victims who wished to bring charges against him discovered that, by his sixties, Swanepeol was suffering from senility.

His widow, Sarah, two daughters and two grandsons were among 120 relatives and friends at his cremation at the Dutch Reform Church at Witpoortjie, where they heard the Reverend Frik de Beer speak of Swanepoel's "productive,

Mr Maharaj said he bore no resentment against Swanepoel. "I respected him." Mr Maharaj said, "because he could read my thoughts."



Queen Noor dons protective gear during her visit to the Jordan valley yesterday

Jordanian queen in landmine crusade

By CHRISTOPHER WALKER

QUEEN NOOR of Jordan vesterday lent her support to the anti-landmine crusade previously led by Diana. Princess of Wales, when she spoke against the weapons at an event in the Jordan Valley at the climax of the first Middle East conserence on the issue.

The 46-year-old Americanborn Queen was persuaded to take up the mande after meeting the co-founders of the Washington-based Landmine Survivors Network at the Princess's funeral. Yesterday was her first public appearance in the field as patron of the group which organised the Amman conference for 350 delegates, including 38 landmine survivors.

Before appearing in helmer and dark glasses in a fashion reminiscent of the Princess, the Queen, King Hussein's fourth wife, told delegates: "If, in recent years. Jesus were to have spent his 40 days in the wilderness, or Elijah to have crossed the River Jordan, or John the Baptist to have proclaimed his message of repentance, they would have had to survive not only the ancient tests of hunger and thirst, but modern threats of mineficlds

She said that 10 per cent of Jordan's population lived in areas that had been rendered dangerous or unproductive

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Kosher rule hits millennium party

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

WHILE the world celebrates the new millennium on December 31, 1999, the party for Christian pilgrims in Israel will be a damp squib as merrymaking will be curtailed by the Jewish sabbath.

Hotels, halls, restaurants and cafés which want to maintain the kosher certificates vital for their business for the rest of the year will not be able to host any kind of celebration.

Jerusalem will be particularly hard-hit. Religious Jews who do not even permit cars to drive through their areas on the sabbath have a firm grip on social activities. "West Jerusalem on the sabbath makes a Belfast Sunday look like a rave party." said one diplomat. The only thing will be to head for Arab east Jerusalem where the few hotels do allow New Year's Eve to be celebrated."

Yesterday, the daily Haur-etz reported that an Israeli travel agency is trying to find a hall for 1,000 Christians from the United States who want to celebrate New Year's Eve in Jerusalem, but has not been able to find one.

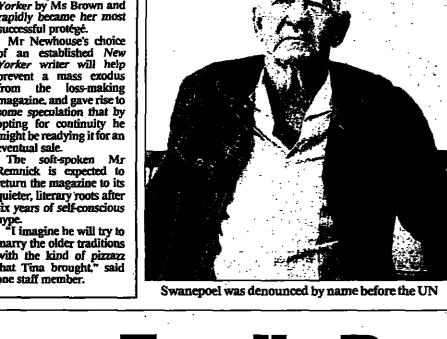
Because the millennium falls on a Friday night, hours after sunset when the 24-hour. sabbath with its attendant restrictions begins, Jewishowned hotels are out of the question, as is the main convention centre. The agency's efforts to secure a hall in the remote north Israeli town of Bet Shean, a two-hour drive from Jerusalem, are being obstructed by religious Jews

Elhanan Dvir, the agency's director-general, said: "They are talking about the possibility of millions of tourists coming here for 2000, but because they will not be able to celebrate the most exciting holiday of the millennium in a public hall or a hotel in Jerusalem, where will they go

to celebrate? Bethlehem? [The

Jordanian capital] Amman?" Yonatan Harpaz, the directorgeneral of the Jerusalem Hotels Association, said hotels wanting to maintain their kosher licences are not allowed to host events of a non-Jewish religious nature, such as Christmas, even if the holiday falls on a Wednesday.

A spokesman for the Dan chain which owns west Jerusalem's most famous hotel, the King David, said it would observe the millennium's Friday night "like we observe every Friday night of the year". Danny Palti, of the Holiday Inn hotel chain, said: "1999 will be no different."







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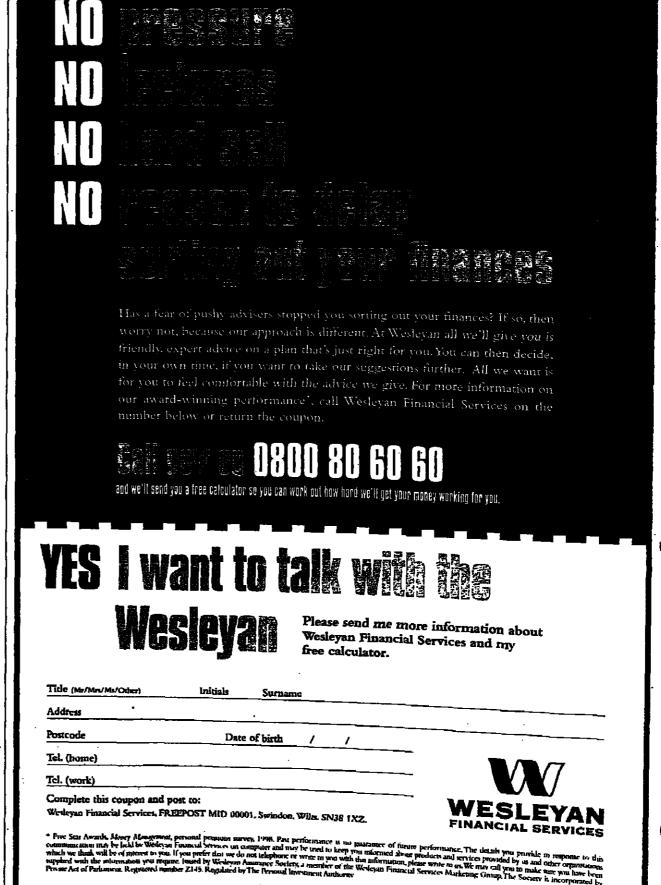
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Japanese look for leader to save economy FROM ROBERT WHYMANT

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JAPAN'S governing Liberal Democrats vesterday scrambled to choose a successor to Ryutaro Hashimoto, the Prime Minister, who announced he was resigning to take the blame for a stunning setback in the Upper House

Jockeying for the leadership began even before Mr Hashimoto said he would quit to take full responsibility for Sunday's electoral debacle, which left the LDP with its smallest number of seats ever in the second chamber.

"Our failure in the election is entirely my fault and re-sponsibility," Mr Hashimoto aid after the scale of the _DP's humiliation became

Although the Upper House rimarily has a rubber-stamp unction, the poll outcome was devastating blow to the party. But the voters' rejection if Mr Hashimoto's economic policies underscored the diffiulty of finding a replacement quipped to cope with the iation's economic wnes. As the four main LDP actions held meetings behind



Obuchi: savours the prospect of top job

closed doors to discuss whom to back for the leadership, the lavourites were Keizo Obuchi, 60, the Foreign Minister, and Seiroku Kajiyama, 72, who has held numerous Cabinet posts, including Trade and Industry.

Analysis believe Mr Obuchi has the edge, as head of the biggest faction, and next in line in the LDP's traditional rotation system. Party insiders describe him as mild, genial and devoid of charisma. The more boisterous Mr Kaji-

Bureaucrats control purse and policy

By David Watts

APAN has first-class industy and arguably the world's firest bureaucracy — but tard-class politicians.

The problem for the world's seond most important economic power is that its bureucracy, which effectively has run the country for 150 years, is discredited and denoralised, and its politicians are far from ready to fill

The sight of dozens of police investigators more or less rarsacking the Ministry of Finance earlier this year was akis to the Serious Fraud Offce marching into Buckinglam Palace and demanding an accounting of royal expenditure. The ministry has de ficto control over all government policy through its purs: strings, and its primacy has no Western equivalent.

Sirce that reversal, the bureaucracy has been effectively paralysed and policy has drifted despite the international clamour for Japan to reflate its economy and save the economies of Asia, along with the rest of the world.

Despite the promises by Ryutaro Hashimoto, the out-

going Prime Minister, of re-form, in reality he had no power to change anything unless the Ministry of Finance bureaucrats approved. Any successor will find himself in the same position. The ministry is locked in the economics of 20 years ago conservative nationalism is the central concern. It is no accident that the model for Japanese politics is German, rather than British or American. The notion that the Government responds to the

The ministry's credo revolves around protecting the interests of Japan Inc. come what may. And if that involves keeping the yen at a level which undermines the Koreans and the Chinese and has the potential to destabilise the rest of Asia, then Washington may fulminate but Tokyo will procrastinate until it is in its interests to do

people is still alien.

Japan's dilemma is that it may be years before it has internationally credible politicians. In the meantime, overzealous bureaucrats may run the country into the ground.

Mr Hashimoto's economic performance since quitting the Cabinet last August, belongs to the LDP's conservative old guard. He has gained favour with financial markets by making radical proposals to reform the ailing banking sector, which is weighed down by huge bad loans.

The LDP's problem is its lack of human resources," said Ryu Otomo, a political com-mentator, adding that the economic situation is so severe that it cannot be remedied by simply changing the Prime Minister. LDP executives said the selection of a new leader would be speeded up to avoid a political vacuum.

The last thing we want is to give the impression that Japan is drifting aimlessly with no one at the helm," said one senior LDP official.

The party will call a meeting of its Lower and Upper House decide formally on a new president. The LDP's majority in the Lower House means the winner is certain to be voted in as Prime Minister when parliament convenes, probably at the end of the month.

Mr Hashimoto, who took power in January 1996, will remain in office until his successor is installed. He lamented that Japanese diplomacy has been thrown into disarray by his resignation. At a news conference, he said he was cancelling trips to France and the United States.

He had been scheduled to leave for Paris on Sunday and go on to Washington two days later to brief President Clinton on measures he planned to pull Japan's economy out of recession. He was particularly concerned that Tokyo's improving ties with Moscow might suffer.

Mr Hashimoto's legacy is a commitment that Japan will conclude a bilateral peace treaty with Russia by 2000, a pledge which emerged from the warm personal ties developed with President Yeltsin. 'Regardless of my resigna

tion, Russo-Japanese relations must progress." the Prime Minister said. Later he relaved this sentiment to Sergei Kirivenko, the Russian Prime Minister, who arrived in Tokve last night to seek further Japanese economic assistance to help to overcome his country's financial turmoil. ☐ Kuala Lumpur: Anwar

Ibrahim, the Malysian Finance Minister, admitted that his country will slip into recession this year, confirming the worst fears of financial analysts. (AP)

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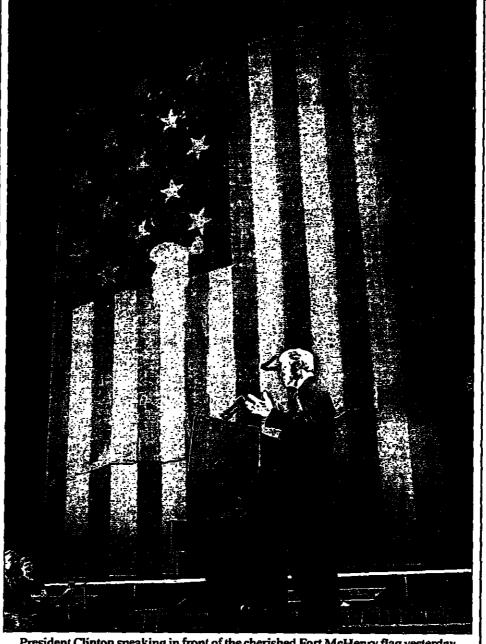
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President Clinton speaking in front of the cherished Fort McHenry flag yesterday

Designer rescues Stars and Stripes

Washington: Ralph Lauren, the fashion designer, yesterday donated \$13 million (E8 million) to restore the decaying remains of the oldest and most cherished of America's icons: the Star Spangled Banner that inspired its national anthem (Tom Rhodes writes). The vast flag which flew, in

defiance of a British assault, above Fort McHenry in Baltimore on the night of September 13, 1814, and whose broad stripes and bright stars stirred Francis Scott Key to write his famous poem, is gradually

fading to fragments and dust. Flanked by President Clinton and his wife, Hillary, at

um of American History where the flag has hung for nearly 35 years - Mr Lauren announced the biggest corporate donation to the Smithsonian Institution which last year launched an \$18 million appeal to restore the fourstorey-high national treasure.

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WORLD IN BRIEF

Belarus leaders banned from EU

Brussels: The European Union yesterday banned President Lukashenko of Belarus and his entire Government from setting foot in the Union until the former Soviet republic backs down in a feud over ambassadorial residences (Charles Bremner writes).

The EU, the United States and Japan pulled its ambassadors out of Minsk last month after Mr Lukashenko ordered several envoys out of their homes at Drozdy, a woodland compound on the outskirts of Minsk. Mr Lukashenko is believed to want the prime site for members of his entourage. Ambassadorial residences are sacrosanct under the Vienna convention on diplomatic relations.

Missile deal to go ahead

Nicosia: President Yeltsin of Russia and his Cypriot counterpart. Glafkos Clerides, have confirmed that an advanced Russian-made anti-aircraft missile system will be delivered to Cyprus later this year (Michael Theodoulou writes). As the leaders met in Moscow, it was reported in Hurrivet. Turkey's daily newspaper, that Turkish pilots have been trained in Israel to destroy such missiles. Washington and London have urged Mr Clerides to scrap the deal and Turkey last week threatened a tit-for-tat installation of missiles in northern Cyprus.

Berlusconi sentenced again

Rome: Silvio Berlusconi, the media tycoon and former Italian Prime Minister, received a prison sentence of two years and four months for illegally financing Bettino Craxi, once socialist Prime Minister (John Phillips writes). The Milan sentence was the second for the leader of the Forza Italia Party. Last week he was sentenced to two years and nine months for bribing tax inspectors. Lawyers are appealing, and he will not be jailed immediately.

Greek shipowner shot

Athens: Kostos Agapitos, 40, a Greek shipowner, was shot and wounded in the port of Piraeus in an apparent case of cutthroat competition in the passenger ship business turning violent (John Carr writes). Police are questioning Vangelis Ventouris, whose company had collapsed with financial problems and who had been forced to sell off his vessels. Mr Agapitos had bought one of the vessels at auction.

Rwanda fans massacred

Kigali: Hutu rebels armed with guns and machetes threw petrol bombs and killed 34 people who were watching the World Cup final on television at a roadside lodge 20 miles north of the Rwandan capital, Kigali. The victims, some shot and others hacked to death, were buried in a mass grave. One, a child, had his throat cut. A barman escaped by hiding in a lavatory when the 40 rebels attacked. (AP)



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Britain's overcast skies have plunged many SAD sufferers into the depths of despair. Anjana Ahuja reports

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Professor Chris Thompson and his colleagues at the Mood Disorders Clinic at the Royal South Hants Hospital in Southampton. But, thanks to the miserable summer, the telephone has begun

ringing again.
The callers are patients who suffer from seasonal affective disorder syndrome, often shortened to SAD, a form of depression usually brought on by the short dark days of winter. The condition, which has been linked to levels of light, normally disappears during long, bright summer days. However, a prolonged recent spell of overcast skies has plunged many SAD sufferers back into the depths of despair.

What sets SAD apart from the more prevalent "winter blues" is that seasonal mood changes are severe and prevent people from leading a normal life. Many symp-

toms are common to other types of depression; these include lethargy, lack of motivation, disturbed sleep and loss of libido. Other symptoms, such as a craving for stodgy food and hypersomnia (sleep-ing for excessively long periods), are more unusual and should set alarm bells ringing. However, the condition

is still a nightmare to diagnose. "We normally interview people for an hour and a half in order to assess them." says Nik Martin, a specialist nurse at the clinic. You have to focus on the

seasonal aspect — then you must rule out winter work pressures or anni-versaries of bereavements. Perhaps the patient has had a relationship break up in the autumn that has left them depressed. To eliminate the chances that it is a

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one-off fit of depression unconnected to the time of year, a person's recent medical history is scrutinised with interest - if. in the past three years. a patient has at least two episodes of winter depression but not more than one case of summer depression, then SAD is a serious candidate. There are no solid statistics on the

number of people afflicted by SAD, which was first classified in the Eighties as a bona fide disorder by Dr Normal Rosenthal, an American psychiatrist. A reasonable estimate is that one in ten people is affected, with women making up two thirds of sufferers. Up to a tenth of those are afflicted severely, and some cope by taking extended winter holidays or even emigrating to sunnier climes. For others, life becomes so dreadful

y rights, this should be a relatively peaceful time for — five people have taken their own lives as a consequence of the condition. The SAD Association, which provides information and support for rufferers, claims 2,500 members.

Fortunately, there is a range of medications and therapies available for both mild and serious cases. Antidepressants such as sertraline, which Professor Thompson helped to develop, and Prozac are recommended these correct imbalances of serotonin, a brain chemical, implicated in SAD. (Light is thought to alter the way the brain responds to serotonin; this interaction lies at the root of the condition.) The drugs, which belong to a class known as SSRIs (selective serotonin re-uptake inhibitors) have the added advantage of being appetite suppressants and non-sedating. The other major treatment, often

used in combination with drugs, is light therapy, which uses intense white light as a substitute for sunlight. It involves sitting two feet away from a "light box" for at least two hours each day; the effects are noticeable after about four days. Many sufferers use these therapies only during the winter, which explains why many of them have been ringing Professor Thompson's clinic in frustration. "It takes three or four

days for people to respond to light, and given the gloomy weather recently. I am not surprised that people are beginning to suffer again," Mr Martin says.

However, when used regularly. light boxes can transform people's lives. Eileen Fletcher, a writer in Berkshire who runs a health information organisation called Food for Thought, suffered for five years before buying one. Now she uses it every day between September and

"About 15 years ago, I began to notice that a job, which would take me five minutes to do in the summer. would be impossible during the winter," says Mrs Fletcher, 52, a mother of two grown-up sons. "I couldn't motivate myself and couldn't get moving. Work built up and housework built up. I assumed it was normal, that everyone felt that way.

"I discovered that a daily walk would make me feel much better. I also started gardening more in the winter because I felt I needed to be outdoors more, and I would be able to do the housework when I came back in. I think my husband and children noticed that I would get grumpier at certain times, although they didn't connect it to the weather.'



Not even a brisk walk along the beach will make up for the lack of sunshine for most people this summer

came across articles on SAD, which suggested that daylight could affect mood and, possibly, the immune system. After lengthy inquiries, she found a company that was about to begin importing light boxes into the country and, soon afterwards, became the proud owner of a large model costing £400.

"It has really revolutionised my life. Now, in the winter months, I have the lamp on by my computer

working. I also put it on between 4pm and 6pm in the evening. It makes my day seem longer and makes me feel alert and effective. My winters would be absolutely awful without that

She has even bought two boxes for her sons, which they used during exam revision and now employ when they need an occasional energy boost: There isn't anyone who would not feel the benefit," Mrs Fletcher says.

cost nearer £100, but they are not available on the NHS. There are some remedies drawn

from the world of complementary medicine. However, the only one of any note appears to be St John's wort, a plant that is being touted as a treatment for depression and is prescribed widely throughout Germany and America. Extracts can be obtained here from health shops. onnect it to the weather." have the lamp on by my computer feel the benefit," Mrs Fletcher says. The SAD Association, PO Box 999,
During the course of her work she between 6am and 8am, while I am The boxes are now widespread and Steyning BN44 3HG (0)903 814942)

A new baby can arouse dangerous canine jealousies. Bill Frost reports

stroyed yesterday after fatally savaging 12-week-old Carly Jones as she slept in her cot Animal behaviourists say that the alsatian's attack was a direct result of jealousy at the attention lavished on the baby by her parents, Marshall and Ann from Caerphilly in South Wales.

There is a depressing familiarity to the story - only last week an inquest in Stoke-on-Trent heard how a "traumatised" Jack Russell bitch smothered a five-month-old baby while pining for her stillborn puppy. Clearly, dogs have a complex range of emotions in which violent jealousy can surface as the most lethal ingredient.

Rusty, a red setter, once lively and loveable, began to brood ominously with the arrival of her owners' baby. Fortunately, they sensed that their pet resented the new arrival. The bitch's jealousy was palpable; lacking the attention she was used to, she became morose and ill-tempered. Before envy could boil over into savagery, her owners found Rusty a new home.

Dr Roger Mugford, a leading animal psychologist, says we ignore canine emotions at our peril. "I don't think babies should be left with them," he says. "Dogs' emotions can be very powerful and can make them do things that are hazardous to a little child.

"As pets, they are nearly always very attached to their owner. Should that link be threatened, the interloper particularly a small child or

baby — might well be at risk." Michael and Sandra Kilroy. from Torbay in Devon, have good reason to heed those words. Their border collie bitch. Charlie, began "acting oddly" soon after the arrival of the couple's son. Ben. "We used to take her out for

long walks and let her sleep on our bed," recalls Michael. "Then Ben came along and we didn't have as much time for Mrs Kilroy remembers that

their pet's nature changed dramatically with the arrival of the baby. She began snarling when

Ben got attention, then one morning she nipped my legs as I put him in the pram. She

ata, a normally placid the house and refused food, so we took her to the vet. "At first he thought she was in pain, she looked so de-pressed and listless. Then I told him about the snarling when Ben was there. He understood immediately and said that we had no choice -Charlie had to go. The alterna-

> 'puppy' who had stolen her owners' time and affections." There are other means of controlling canine behavioural disorders. For example. some owners are turning to controversial collars which send out electric shocks when the animal misbehaves.

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time until she could attack the

Keith Bing, a dog trainer says the collars - operated by a hand-held remote control



Alsatians can be jealous

are safe and very useful. Bi shock treatment should used only when the animal behaviour is life-threatenini.

Meanwhile, in the Unith States, dogs suffering from such disorders are being givin psychotropic drugs in an ittempt to curb violent behaiour and depression. Pr Nicholas Dodman, a ventinary school professor, pescribes Prozac to compat "almost every" can he behavioural problem.

"Dogs' brains are structurally and functionally similar to our own, and the neurotrinsmitters — which control moods and social and serval behaviour - are identical in the two species," he says.

Drugs such as Prizac. which increases serotonic levels, can be extremely effective in curtailing dominance-elated aggression and jeabusy. was no longer the dog we enabling owners quickly to knew. She just moped about gain the upper hand."

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The story behind Abiola's heart

THE international team of pathologists who undertook the post-mortem examination of Chief Moshood Abiola, the Nigerian opposition leader, must have been disappointed not to find an obvious thrombus blocking one of the coronary arteries. In all the best films, the pathologist, stand-ing by a very sanitised body, in a very sanitised postmortem room, always turns to the detective and gives an immediate opinion: coronary thrombosis - and a massive

In real life the scenario is rather different when the pathologist opens up the coronary arteries and searches the thickened and diseased vessels for the errant thrombus. If he strikes lucky, it is most likely to be found in the first few centimetres of the large anterior descending branch of the coronary artery or, possibly, in the right coronary artery. If so, it is likely to be a sizeable clot which the pathologist will extract with his dissecting

forceps. All too often, the pathologist finds that the arteries of the heart are constricted so that the lumen, the channel through the artery, is narrowed in several places by deposits of fatty plaques which are laid down inside the arteries of people with degenerative arterial disease. More

than a third of patients who die of a coronary thrombosis have had previous silent, or near silent, attacks and the heart muscle will have been damaged already and with it the post-mortem appearance. It is therefore hard to isolate the actual cause of death, for often, only one of the smaller diseased arteries is finally blocked by a thrombus.

The state of the other arteries in the heart is also impor-

tant. If the heart is prone to develop arrhythmias, as is the case in heavy smokers or drinkers, the patient is more likely to die from the heart attack even if it is a small one. It is known that Abiola was fun-loving and it is possible that the good life had under-mined his cardiac reserves.

If, as is supposed, Abiola's coronary arteries had been gradually closing over the years, the heart muscle which had been serviced with a slowly diminishing blood supply would have become increasingly fibrosed.

After sudden closure of an artery, the first change in the remaining muscle is that it becomes swollen, softened and darker, with the maximum colour farthest from the clot. The area totally deprived of oxygen, the infarct, is yellow with a surrounding red area.

The most likely explanation is that Abiola had a diseased heart and suffered a thrombosis. However, as a Nigerian he could also have had endomyocardial fibrosis. Africans, particularly people in Central Africa, but including those in Nigeria, may suffer, for unknown reasons, from enlarged fibrotic hearts which causes progressive chest pain, tiredbreathlessness and cough. Other myopathies may

nfections. If there was any question that the chief had had a coronary thrombosis, the American diplomats should have immediately given him one whole aspirin tablet. This is a most important first-aid treatment for anyone who could have had a coronary. The chief should then have been removed as soon as possible to hospital where, provided he hadn't within the past 12 months had thrombolytic treatment to dissolve the clot, he should have been treated with streptokinase. If the chief or his warders

had known that he had heart disease, he should have been taking aspirin every day. This is recommended for people with known heart disease or who have other vascular

Finally, if Abiola had been in Britain, and the St John

Ambulance Brigade, police or firemen had an appropriate advisory external defibrillator. the American diplomat, or an appropriate official, could have wielded the defibrillator and restored the chiefs cardiac rhythm to one which was compatible with life.



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Blonde, blue-eyed and ruthless: Labour's new ice maiden

Kirsty Milne charts the rise of Labour's first female General Secretary

londe hair, blue eyes: Tony Blair thinks you're won-derful. Plenty to shout about, surely? Yet Margaret McDonagh, chosen last week as Labour's first woman General Secretary, is the quintessential apparatchik-in-theshadows. Photographs are hard to come by; she gives no interviews and rarely speaks an extended family. Family in public. Until

this week, few outside the party machine heard of her. But in Labour's inner circle McDonagh, 37. is a controversial figure. There are no agnostics:

people are either hostile. Her ap-pointment will have infuriated several members

of the Cabinet, a brace of junior ministers and top trade union leaders — all of whom now have to work with her.

In a world where gossip and plotting are prevalent McDonagh is a doer. Even her enemies agree that Margaret delivers". As general election coordinator, she delivered last year's spectacular election win, working 14-hour days with nun-like dedication. The now-celebrated key seats strat-- which focused funds, effort and volunteers on marginal constituencies - was her

baby. The £49,000-a-year top job at Labour's Millbank Tower HQ is her reward. A cradle Catholic, McDonagh puts a high value on loyalty and selfdiscipline. You would never catch her boasting about her contacts, like the Labour staffers-turned-lobbyists who got themselves into hot water last week. For her, the party is like

business should not be discussed There are with outsiders. It is not a farfetched comparino agnostics: agh's elder sister people are Síobhain is a Labour MP, elected last May uneither der Margaret's stewardship. loyal to her

house in Mitch-

am and Mor-

den, Siobhain's

southwest London constituency. It was where they grew up, and where their Irish-born parents, a building worker and a nurse, still live. Margaret still goes canvassing at weekends. She has an instinctive feel for what the punters want and what Labour should offer." says Fraser Kemp, a former party official and now a La-

McDonagh learnt the ropes in London, as part of a young team struggling to sort out the chaos that was Labour in the capital. It was 1987, and the furore over loony left councils



Margaret McDonagh — her biggest problem may be her fierce loyalty to Blair

was raging. Some of the qualities that McDonagh brings to Labour's top job — dislike of the Left, intolerance of dissent, a horror of amateurish anarchy -- can be traced back to her experience then.

But McDonagh's career was languishing until 1994, when John Smith died and Blair asked her to work on his leadership campaign. She helped to arrange the crucial meetings at which the new leader sold his watered-down version of the old Clause Four to party members. McDonagh specialised in planting sympa-thetic speakers, a fixing technique she picked up while working for the electricians' union, one of her first jobs af-

ter leaving Brunel University.
A grateful Blair specially requested that she should join his general election team. Mc-Donagh had to mediate between

the egos of Gor-Brown, Prescoti and Peter Mandelson — a horrible job, says a former colleague with feeling. She deftly avoided be-ing identified ing identified with any of the hostile camps around Labour's big barons. Her hotline to Blair,

which could have been jeopardised by his move to Downing Street, has stayed open since the election. McDonagh's secret weapon is her friendship with Anji Hunter, the PM's personal political secretary. The two women form a powerful axis which others thwart at their peril.

The striking thing about Mc-Donagh is that people are afraid of her. It's not just that she terrifies her staff ('She's a tartar," concedes an admirer). It's not just that she is a young and capable woman in a mainly male environment. She is, as Blair testified last week, 'a formidable operator, and that entails knowing who your enemies are. There are some quite senior figures in Labour circles who will say - in private only - that McDonagh can be ruthless and unforgiving.

Jack McConnell, who worked with her as Labour's General Secretary in Scotland. thinks that since the election McDonagh has made a con-

decisions are made." McDonagh will have a lower profile than previous general secretar-ies, which will suit her aversion to publicity. Blair wants to appoint a new party chairman — an idea borrowed from the Tories — giving McDonagh more of a chief executive's role. The dream choice for chairman is Mo Mowlam with whom McDonagh gets on well, but Northern Ireland takes priority. One possibility is the up-and-coming Health Minister Alan Milburn. Despite her proximity to power, McDonagh remains refresh-

ingly unpretentious. She makes a point of insisting that she reads only tabloid newspapers. Her regular contacts with new Labour's glitterati are more likely to involve demanding a donation than knocking back champagne.

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Money - or the lack of it will loom large in her new job. McDonagh has pledged to clear the party's £4.5 million deficit, the result of a big election overspend. This may prove to be her Achilles' heel, especially given the events of recent days. In January, La

bour lobbyists were invited to a meeting at Millbank where McDonagh asked them to help to find sponsorship for party events. She seemed unaware of how contentious some types of sponsorship could be. One lobbyist emerged unterly shocked her naivety.

aradoxically, McDonagh's biggest prob-lem may be her fierce loyalty to Blair. She will find it hard to bring him bad news or constructive criticism. Yet the row over singleparent benefits shows how vital it is that the leader knows what his party can and cannot stomach. There is plenty to worry about. The Left shows signs of reviving, in Scotland, the party is in turmoil over the centralised way in which candidates are being chosen. A spate of recent reports sug-gests Labour is losing mem-bers. Will new Labour's ice maiden have the guts to tell Blair where he's going wrong?

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The President, over la lune

Chirac is also a winner, says Jason Cowley

he evening began in typical French style with an elaborately expensive fashion show, but ended more unconventionaly with the President wrapping himself in a replica football shirt the elite of French society may have been slow to respond to World Cup fervour but how they finally enjoyed themselves at the biggest party of them all on Sun-

A delighted Jacques Chirac was in the thick of it wearing a Tricolour football scarf, kissing every player as they climbed the podium to collect their medals and waving his blue shirt in the air like an exultant schoolboy. It was great to watch. Perhaps only a sense of presidential decorum prevented M Chirac from actually putting on the shirt, as President Nelson Mandela bravely wore a Springbok shirt, the old despised symbol of Afrikaner supremacy, after the self-styled rainbow nation won the rugby World Cup in 1995. M Chirac did, in any event, begin singing Queen's We Are the Champions, a global anthem of victory, until, one feels, he

remembered how unfashionable English is in the country of the Académie française and longstanding suspicion of les Anglo-Saxons.

Still, it is hard to remember, at least in the West, such an exhibition of unadulterated joy from a head of state and in a country where football has never been as popular as it is in say, Italy. Spain or indeed Britain, and where among the grande bourgeoisie it is seen as vulgar, a grubby proletarian

There is a deep cynicism about most politicians; experience has shown that they will do everything — anything — to bask in the reflected glory of someone else's sporting achievement, as if that achievement were also a national achievement, even if it amounts to little more than a swimmer winning a gold medal at an Olympic Games.

But sport is an important barometer of a nation's mood. When Margaret Thatcher was guest of hon-our at a Scottish Cup Final in the 1980s, she

was reportedly shocked to see fans of Glasgow Celtic waving Irish republican tricolours, and to hear them boo the national anthem. Here was a manifestation of the detachment that many Scots felt from the British union, and a portent of the Tory electoral disasters to follow north of the border.

spirals as tightly as DNA around sport. He was marvellously adept at aligning the Labour Party with the fortunes of Sir Alf Ramsey's World Cup-winning team, and often blamed his narrow defeat in the 1970 general election on England's unexpected defeat by Germany in the quarter-finals of the Mexico World Cup.

More recently, Tony Blair has worked diligently, some might say shamelessly, to exploit the renewed popularity of football: exchanging headers with Kevin Keegan; posing for photographs with Alex Ferguson of Manchester United like a groupie outside a stage door; and inviting journalists into Downing Street to hear his views on England's defeat against Argentina, David Beckham's dismissal and Michael Owen's goal. He does all this without ever quite convincing us that he is a true fan, that his antics are anything more than another outing for Phoney Tony, the master of spin.

That, I think, was why the French were so pleased by their President's unaffected delight. Few doubted that, for all his patrician hauteur, he was a fan. Mme Chirac - absent from the Stade de France on Sunday but thought to have watched the game at the couple's home in the Corrèze - famously said that not even a fly could move at home when her husband was watching a match.

How this quirky hobby has repaid the Presi dent. In France there is much talk of the "football effect": of how the popularity of M Chirac, at an historic low before the tournament, has grown exponentially with every French victory

on the pitch. in a country where Jean-Marie Le Pen's populist far Right gained more than 15 per cent of the vote, the diverse racial mix of the team is even, optimistically, being claimed as a metaphor for the emerging ethnic harmony of the modern French nation. Of those who played on Sunday, Thuram is from the Caribbean, Desailly. Vicira and Karembeu were born in



Chirac shows his delight - and scarf - as France win

present or former French colonies, two-goal Zidane has Algerian parents, Djorkaeff and Boghossian are ethnic Armenians, Guivarc'h is a Breton and Lizarazu is Basque.

M Chirac's spontaneous delight was exactly what these players - clambering on to the table in front of the assembled dignitaries so that the crowd could see captain Didier Deschamps lift the trophy — would have wanted. Be the game, Deschamps complained of the lack joy that had greeted earlier French victories, of how there were "too many ties" in the stadium, a barb against the ranks of anonymous inessmen enjoying corporate hospitality.

The response in France to M Chirac's night of fun has been good. As an enarque - a graduate of the elite Ecole nationale d'administration — he has cultivated a certain studied cosmopolitan elan. But he is not above moments of charming improvisation. During the last presidential election campaign, for instance, while on walkabout in a village, he delighted onlookers by pulling up a stall and milking a cow — a reminder, he said, of the summers he had spent as a boy among the farmers of the Corrèze. It was this Chirac, the instinctive populist, rather than the aloof Gaullist, whom we

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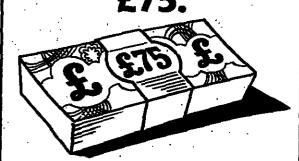
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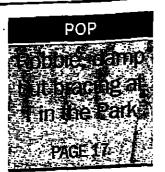
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A freak show refugee finds a fitting home

VISUAL ART: Richard Cork on the journey of Epstein's

Jacob and the Angel from the tasteless to the Tate

his summer Sir Jacob Epstein's monumental Jacob and the Angel is prominently positioned in a new display at the Tate's Duveen Sculpture Galleries. For many years after he completed it in 1941. though, this grand alabaster carving was exhibited in the most humiliating location imaginable. Installed in the basement anatomical department" of Louis Tussaud's Blackpool showroom, where two other Epsteins were al-ready on show, Jacob and the Angel was treated as a titillating amusement. Outside the garishly decorated seafront premises, a recorded barker summoned passers-by to gawp at the strangest thing you have ever seen". Inside, the carvings were surrounded by shrunken human heads and the embalmed body of Siamese twins.

Siamese twins.

However hard Epstein tried to be stoical, he was mortified by the ridicule heaped on a sculpture counted today among his most powerful work. Carving had begun on Jacob and the Angel soon after the Second World War broke out. The likelihood of broke out. The likelihood of commissions for public sculpture, never strong after the scandals generated by his previous work, now became wholly remote. Even the requests for portrait bronzes dwindled and Epstein found himself in danger of failing to meet the expense of casting as well as all his other overheads. For a while, he must have wondered if he could afford to retain his outstanding collection of more than 1.000 African Indonesian and other so- the biblical Jacob. The wrescalled "primitive" carvings.

MASTERS OF

No wonder Epstein's mood darkened. While Nazi troops overran so much of Europe, including his ancestral homeland of Poland, he worked on his autobiography. Towards the end he disclosed just how apocalyptic his expectations had now become. "I imagine a waste world," he wrote. "Argosies from the air have bombed the humans out of existence and perished themselves, so that no human thing is left alive." In the face of this

> 6 The ridicule heaped on his sculpture mortified Epstein 9

terrifying vision, his readiness to undertake a colossal alabaster carving was tantamount to an act of resistance.

In one respect, the choice of subject reflects his appalled response to the struggle in Europe. The story in Genesis of Jacob's nocturnal encounter with a mysterious man who wrestled with him "until the breaking of the day", had a ready-made pertinence during this protracted conflict. But the emotional charge of the carving itself proves that Epstein had other, more personal motives for choosing the subject. It is surely significant that he shared his first name with tling enacted in the sculpture

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paralleled his own attempt to tackle the outsized slabs of stone he favoured. For a whole year his sustained and concentrated expenditure of energy on this carving was as formidable, in its way, as Jacob's valiant attempt to fight his anonymous foe. When the angel's wings are viewed from behind, their insistent flatness retains a suggestion of the unhewn block. So Jacob could be seen as an embodiment of the sculptor himself, striving to impose his will on the material rearing like a cliff in front of him.

The Old Testament story relates, however, that Jacob failed to vanquish his opponent. Having suffered a dislocation cated thigh, he was reduced to holding on to his adversary's body and refusing to let go. When Jacques Lipchitz modelled a sculpture of the same subject nearly ten years earlier, he interpreted the struggle as a sign "that God wants us to fight with him". But Epstein's imagination was kindled by the sensuality inherent in their combat. A pair of vigorous pencil studies for his carving show Jacob and his winged opponent standing with arms outstretched in an impassioned dance, and then falling to the ground like lovers locked in a carnal embrace. They recall the homoerotic illustrations Epstein had made for Walt Whitman's Calamus at the beginning of the century, in particular a pen and wash drawing inspired by the poem We Two Boys Together Clinging.

pstein chose dramatise the latter phase of the conflict, when dawn approaches and Jacob is forced to succumb to the stranger's power. But his spirit does not appear cowed by defeat. Ja-cob's limp figure submits to the angel's grip with an accep-tance of inevitability. His head drops back, in a movement reminiscent of the ecstasy experienced by the figure in an earlier carving, Woman Possessed. For he does seem to gain unexpected fulfilment from his intimacy with an antagonist whose power is far from destructive. Assent can even be detected

in Jacob's slack limbs. Like Epstein himself, who realised how much a sculptor could gain from allowing the nature of his material to play a decisive role in the carving's development, he finally be-came enriched by his stubborn refusal to let the angel go. His opponent blessed him and, after vanishing at daybreak, left Jacob with immeasurably enhanced strength. Perhaps Epstein saw a parallel, here, with the sculptor's capacity to benefit from the closest possible engagement with, and acknowledgement of, the profound stimulus to be discov-



Epstein's Jacob and the Angel (1940-41): vying for attention with the embalmed body of Siamese twins no longer

at an ever closer relationship with the blocks he shaped and, by this time, his respect for the material he used was limitless. His pioneering emphasis on "carving direct", no less than "truth to materials", proved hugely influential in British sculpture during the first half of the century. "At the stoneyard, I see a tremendous block of marble about to be sliced up and used for interior decoration," he once wrote. "Knowing that this stone could contain a wonderful statue moves me to purchase it and rescue it, even though at the moment I have no definite idea

for it. Never mind - that will

Anyone who honoured his material so deeply was bound to be wounded when Jacob and the Angel ended up as a Blackpool entertainment for coach parties to snigger at. The fact that six years elapsed before he again produced a carving may indicate how offended he really felt. After Jacob and the Angel, he never used alabaster again. Indeed, Epstein completed only two more carvings during the rest of his productive career. Advancing age no doubt helped to account for his unwillingness to handle any more large stones, but he must also have been affected by the melancholy realisation that each of his most ambitious carvings had found itself "in a world where it is not wanted".

found stimulus to be discovered in the stone.

Throughout his career Epstein had attempted to arrive

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he world of opera has never been wholly sane, but this has to be a first: a British cast singing in Mandarin learnt parrot fashion to a British audience. In such circumstances, even taking into account surtitles, it's hard to deny that opera is indeed exotic and irrational. The occasion was Almeida Opera's double bill of pieces by Guo Wenjing: Night Banquet, a premiere, and the first staging here of Wolf Cub Village. Once over this initial dottiness, the evening proved to be riveting.

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Multiculturalism is on the increase, even in opera. People as diverse as Brecht. Britien and, more recently, Judith Weir have drawn inspiration from Eastern fables, whose elliptical subject-matter and syntax can certainly benefit from an extra layer of musical commentary. David Freeman's Opera Factory did its bit before being axed by the Arts Council; Param Vir's fascinating fusion of Eastern and Western modes has made its mark: Tan Dun's fusion in Marco Polo is on its way. At a first hearing, though, Wenjing's music seems more decisively tilted to

East than to West. Born in 1956, he studied at the Central Conservatory in Beijing, where he is now Professor of Composition. His writing for voice follows in Chinese-opera tradition, in using extremes of register with much falsetto and glissando. and mixing in spoken word and semi-pitched speech. These two short one-acters -50 minutes each - are accom-

or many of today's danc-ers, mime is one of

those classical conven-

tions that gets dispatched with

efficiency so that one can get

back to the real business at

hand, which is dancing. For a

few rare artists, though, mime

is at the heart of the great clas-

sics, the means by which sto-

ries are fully told. The Royal

Ballet's Miyako Yoshida is one

of those rare artists. On Friday

night, the opening of the Royal

Baller's run of Swan Lake at

the Coliseum, she proved the

eloquence of her mime, bring-

ing immediacy and dramatic

For Yoshida, Odette's story

is heartbreakingly real, and

she tells it clearly and with

great expressive power, both

in her dancing and in her

mime. Indeed, Yoshida makes

no distinction between the two: gesture is delivered as

part of the flow of movement.

informed by the same musical-

ity that Yoshida brings to all

ber dancing. Her Act II intro-

intensity to her Odette.

OPERA

Night Banquet Wolf Cub Village Almeida

ments plus a battery of percussion and a pipa, a balalaikalike instrument most beautiful-ly played by Wu Man. Both operas were expertly conducted by Brad Cohen, and tautly directed by James Macdonald in appropriately spare decor by Thomas Hadley.

Night Banquet tells of a Scholar appointed Prime Minister by the ruler of a decadent dynasty. To get out of the job he stages a banquet-orgy to be witnessed by the ruler's disapproving emissaries, though there was little to disapprove of here, beyond some mouthto-mouth wine-bibbing. The Scholar ends up at peace with himself, but lamenting the collapse of the regime.

Wolf Cub Village is more troubling: both a study in paranoia and a dark, neo-Brechtian parable. The "mad" protagonist imagines that the villagers, his doctor and his brother are all part of a plot to murder and eat him, but finally. "sanely" accepts that people have been eating each other for 4,000 years, so why get

worked up about it? Oh dear. For the casts, who mastered a demanding style and gave admirably concentrated performances, all praise. Nigel Robson's increasingly sane Madman was almost unbearable to watch, and he doubled panied by Western instru- as the ruler in the first piece.

Let me tell you a story



Nigel Robson gives a superb performance as the Madman in Guo Wenjing's dark operatic fable Wolf Cub Village

Yvonne Barclay as the ghost of the sister the Madman may have eaten, and as the Scholar's coolly efficient concubine, sang with calm beauty. Geoffrey Moses was ideally enigmatic as the Scholar, and Richard Jackson scored a notable double as disapproving emissary and Madman's brother.

RODNEY MILNES

Showbiz in a basket

7 ith the Phoenix crashing down in flames and the mudbath of Glastonbury slithering into the distance, one wonders why we bother with this outdoor festival malarky. Especially now that pop music's dead — at least according to whingeing record bosses who sign rubbish bands and the music press who champion them, only to wonder why no one wants to know.

Still, at least T in the Park has a sense of humour, and it may even have the answer. For, as Scotland's drug of choice - flat, lukewarm, overpriced lager in a cardboard cup — was supped for 36 hours solid, weather permitting, there was a definite feeling of oldtime showbiz in the air. Only Spiritualized's terminal Pink Floyd impression spoilt things, as did the otherwise brilliant Lo-Fidelity All-Stars once their singer opened his mouth.

On Saturday a PA breakdown held things up in the Radio I tent, while the main stage was hampered by a suitably muddy sound all day. But that didn't stop top turns like Arab Strap providing one of the most intense live experiences around. Having grown out of the backroom dives that spawned them, they have picked up some musical moves from their Chemikal Underground label mates Mogwai.

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JB Pric AN INSPECTOR CALLS still talks dirty over the top of it all, his empty love stories and broody balladeering for the sleazy-listening set would give Serge Gainsbourg a run for his money. If they ever sort out their love life, there'll be trouble.

stage. Which seemed rather harsh, even if she does sound like Bonnie Tyler backed by the Alarm. Far more effective was her duet with Space's Tommy Scott on The Ballad of Tom Jones, a "surprise" - if inevitable - finale to his band's crowd-pleasing set of twisted cabaret and chuckingout-time anthems that marked him and Cerys down as a Lee Hazlewood and Nancy Sinatra for the millennium. Live, Space are a scrappy proposi-tion, though You And Me Versus The World made everybody smile, while Tommy's wide-eved enthusiasm suggests he can't believe he's got

Robbie Williams, on the other hand, expects the world.

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even if his set was cut short by sound gremlins. He began, of course, with Let Me Entertain You, and didn't he just. Bouncing round the stage as if he was at a youth club disco, he wrapped himself in toilet paper like the true puppy dog scamp he is, showed off mercilessly and was an all-round cheeky chappie kid brother allowed to stay up late.

Along the way there was a cover of the La's There She Goes and his remarkable thrash punk mutilation of his former band Take That's Back For Good. Part purging, part teenybopper idol manifesto, Williams's growing up in public is all but completed by his brand new mohican hairdo. At least one female member of the crowd whipped her top off, waving it aloft in a bold mix of triumph and lust. "I remember this when it was all council estates," said the wag Wil-

liams. With Pulp's Jarvis Cocker and Natalie Imbruglia continuing in a similar vein on a decidedly wetter Sunday, and Chumbawamba cancelling, the thought occurs that maybe next year Tennents should just turn Balado into a gigantic function suite and, rather than tofu burgers, serve up chicken in a basket instead. Either that or decamp to Las Vegas. Now that's entertainment.

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conducts. Holland Park Theatre, W8 (0171-602 7856). Opens lonight, 7.30pm.

© RICHARD III: Oddbodies return with their two-person version of Shekespare, part text, part live rock drumming. John Mowet directs. Shekaspasre, nert text, part five root drumming. John Movest darects.
Lynic Sturdio, W6 (0181-741
8701/2311), Opens July 14, 8pm.
TAKE 6: The sk fabulous singers featured on the soundtrack of Spike Lee's Do The Right Thing return to the South Bank with shall powerful histon of jazz and gospel vocals.
Festival Hall (0171-960 4242).
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CHELTRIHAM: Today's lestivities open with a recital by the Floresten Plano Tric. Music by Mozart, Janácak and Schubert irames the British premiere of Judith Weir's Plano Tric (Pitwille Pump Room, 11am). At 7.30pm the Everymen Theatre will resound with Labn rhythms as Peco-Pens and members of the Flamenco Dence Company celebrate the Spaniels soul with exhibarating dance and music.



CHESTER: One of the world's finest crean tere one or the wond's mest, medieval music ensembles, Gother Voices, visits the Summer Festival for the first time to give an atmospheric candielit, concert featuring the strengel music of the 12th century German abbess and composer

German abbess and composer Hiddegard of Bingen.
St John's Church, Festival Box Office: (01244 320700/341200). Tonight, 8pm.
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on this year's Festival. On the programme are Tchalkovsky's Romeo and Julier overture, his Symphony No 5 and Stravinsky's Rite of Spring.
Cathedral. Pestival Box Office: (11243 780192). Tonight, 8pm.
NEWCASTLE: The Almelde Theatre's tour of George Bernard Shew's The Doctor's Ditemma arrives for a week. A splendid cast includes Victoria Hamilton, Patsy Byrne, Tony Britton, Martin, Jarvis and Ian McDiarmid. Michael Grandage McDiarmid. Michael Grandage

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CTHE CHANGELING: Tassos Stevens, first recipient of the James Merzies-Küchin Award, directs this blood-socked Jacobean tragedy. BAC, SW11 (0171-223 223)

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OSHAKESPEARE'S VILLAINS:

Disappointing. Aldwych (0171-416 6003).

FILMS ON GENERAL RELEASE

Geoff Brown's choice of the best movies

NEW RELEASES CURRENT

GURU IN SEVEN (18): Can Sanjay bed seven women in seven days? Low-budget British film with setrical intentions, but not enough style to make its points well. With Nitin Chandra Ganatre. Director, Sheni

Grewar.
KISS OR KILL (18): Fresh Australian
treatment of the old story about the
outlaw couple on the run, full of ousew coupse to me run, juil or unexpected humour and sharp characterisations. Bill Bennett directs. Matt Day and Frances O'Connor. MAD CTTY (15): Broadly enjoyable, old-fashioned tale about media meniputation, with Duatin Hoffman and John Travotta, Director, Costs-Garves.

and John Travolts, Director, Costa-Gaves.
MOJO (15): Thugs and rock'n'roll in late 1850s Shoto. Small bear for cinemas, Though Jaz Buttenworth's film of his own stage hit boasts fine performances trom lan Hart, Ewan Brenner and Harnd Pinter, SLIMG SLADE (15): Powerial portrait of a mentally deficient man trying to bland into ordinary life after 20 years behind bars for (Hiling his mother. Rivetting performance by Bifly Bob berent bass for loving its mother. Rivetting performance by Billy Bob Thomto.who also directs.
TOUCH (15): Uncertain version of Elmore Leonard's novel about a man with the healing gift, prayed upon by others. A good cast, though: Siceets Utrich, Bridget Fonda, Christopher Walken. Paul Schrader directs.

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ductory solo is both lonely and serene, her tremulous Odette trapped by Von Rothbart's evil spell and needing Siegfried's love to give her the strength to fight it. The narrative is never allowed to slip when Yoshida is dancing; even when she lowers the temperature (as she sometimes has a tendency to do) the purpose of the choreography is always foremost in her mind.

In the great white Pas de deux, Yoshida gradually unfolds her protective covering, opening up her heart to Bruce Sansom's tender Siegfried and allowing Ivanov's phrases to soar with romantic elation. Act III's Black Swan, in every way Odette's opposite, is where a triumphalist Yoshida

lets rip with her formidable technique: the pyrotechnics flawlessiv executed, the demeanour radiantly classical. Sansom is an excellent part-

ner for Yoshida, approaching the narrative with the same commitment and making of Siegfried a very sympathetic fellow. As the malevolent Von Rothbart, Ashley Page prowls the stage with a flagrant sexuality. Sandra Conley, as Siegfried's mother, gives a lively reading of a woman in a difficult situation. And Belinda Hatley brings a lovely soft touch to her Act I Pas de trois.

There was a big sound com-ing from the Coliseum pit on opening night, thanks to the visiting Russian conductor Viktor Fedotov, who has a habit of bringing the sluggish Royal Opera House Orchestra to life in the Tchaikovsky repertoire. Yolanda Sonnabend's designs are starting to look passé. Time for a change?

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Burdens of Labour's history man

Brown is weighed down by the

past, says Michael Gove

ordon Brown's mas-tery of this Govern-ment's fate will seldom be more apparent than today. This afternoon he unveils his comprehensive spending review, less an exercise in au-diting other government departments than a series of Treasury takeover bids. In the evening he and his advisers will celebrate the publication of the second book on his Chancellorship, making his ca-reer as well chronicled as Jim Callagahan's premiership. Later this week the Chancellor will address executives of The News Corporation, including its chairman and chief executive Rupert Murdoch, in Ida-

It is now impossible to imag-ine any other figure within the Labour Party as Chancellor. But there has been nothing historically inevitable about the rise of the student Marxist. There is, however, something striking about the influence of history on his progress.

history's quirks is the role played by one of Mr Brown's Brown's bitterest enemies in propelling him tobitterest wards politics. Michael Swann was the Principal of Edinburgh Unienemies sent him versity when Mr Brown was an uninto dergraduate in the 1970s. When Gorpolitics don Brown was elected Rector of Edinburgh Univer-

sity on a radical platform, the deeply conservative Mr Swann tried to deprive him of the historic right to chair the University Court. Mr Brown routed Mr Swann in the courts but the Principal was to enjoy his revenge cold.

The academic establishment turned against Mr Brown and he was unable to secure the full-time university teaching post he wanted. Mr Brown's confidants believe that he may well have pursued an academic career had he had the chance. But with one biocked, anomer beck-

oned - the path to power. Mr Brown enjoys, or labours under, an appreciation of the past that Tony Blair is only distantly engaged by. While the Chancellor packs suitcases with books for his holidays, the Prime Minister travels light in every way. Mr Brown's immersion in his party's history is more than an act of ancestor-worship. Supporters argue that it is by understanding the past properly that Mr Brown hopes to escape it for ever.

His decision in the summer of 1992 not to press for a realignment of the European exchange-rate mechanism was governed by his determination not to see Labour tarred once again as the party of devaluation. The Chancellor's insistence that the 1997 manifesto promised no increases in income tax rates was dictated by his awareness of the devastating consequences of proposed tax rises on Labour's election campaign in 1992. The auda-cious speed with which he lib-erated the Bank of England

was influenced by his knowledge that every previous La-bour Government had been

rocked by a sterling crisis.
His embrace of the nationalist film star Sean Connery during last year's devolution referendum was also prompted by the past. Mr Brown was haunted by the divisions in the devolution campaign of 1979 when the forces in favour of constitutional change failed to work properly in tandem. The Chancellor's wooing of the trade unions and adoption of old Labour rhetoric is not a product of his leadership ambitions although they exist — but of a deep appreciation of how past Labour Chancellors, from Philip Snowden to Denis Healey, had been deserted by their own activists. For Brown now. as for Attlee in 1945, the motto

is "Never again". His flirtation with his party's rough trade serves another purpose. It is reassuring for the unions to feel that one of the men at the heart of new La-One of the most curious of bour is, emotionally, in sympa-

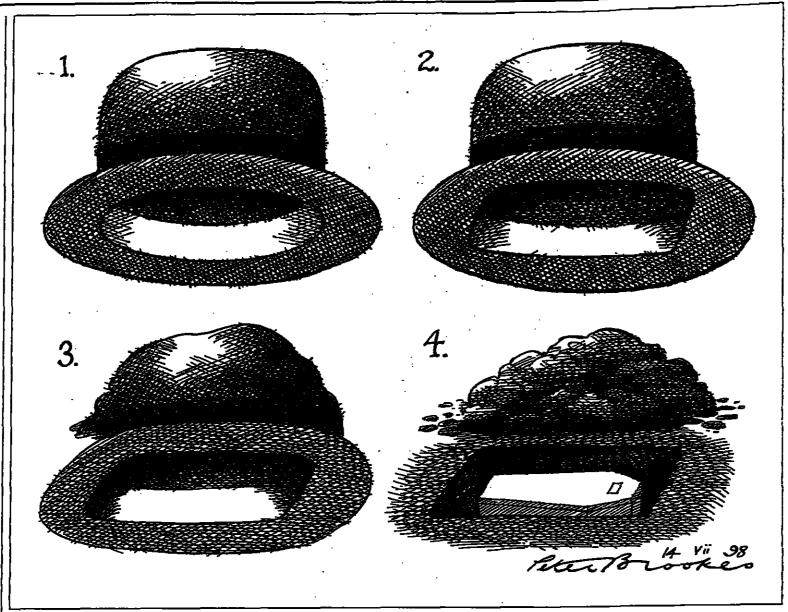
thy with them. And it is a task which is beyond Peter Man-delson or Tony Blair. As one MP acknowledged:
They could no more tell the unions they valued them than a gay man could make love to a woman even trying would be embarrassing." The Chancellor's

appreciation of history has, however, caused him moments of embarrassment since Labour came to power. Sensing early the need to redefine Britishness to forestall petty nationalism he was irritated by the manner in which an emerging debate was hijacked by those who wanted to 'rebrand Britain. A political project had been supplanted by a mere marketing exercise. The future for Mr Brown

unfortunately, as though it may contain more occasions when his project is eclipsed by events. The assumptions on which the comprehensive spending review rests are about to be sorely tested by the looming economic turndown. Mr Brown's belief that he will succeed his younger colleague as Prime Minister, much as James Callaghan did, is threatened by the gathering economic storm.

hile recession stirs, himself enfeebled by the decisions he made out of deference to history's lessons. Interest rates are in the hands of others, tax policy constrained and spending fixed for three years. The Chancelfor is a Prometheus bound by

his own chains. He has made these historic decisions as part of his plan to tie Britain into a single European currency, where major economic decisions would eventu-ally be taken abroad. But since Mr Brown seems to have designed his strategy primarily to avoid old errors, it looks as though our economic policy is already being run from another country - the past.



Creatures of the dark

Prime Minister woke up to a nasty shock. The Dai-ly Mail in its issue of that morning was claiming that a biscuit manufacturer had made him a present of 30,000 shares in the company of McVitie & Price, thus making him the firm's second largest share-

For Ramsay MacDonald, the story may have come as a shock but it was scarcely a surprise. Only the previous March, just a month or two into his first period of office, he had accepted the offer of a Daimler motor car and a total sum of £40,000 with which, as he was later rather lamely to explain, to "endow" it. The gift had come from Alexander Grant, the Scottish chairman of McVitie & Price - who, to make matters worse, was, on the Prime Minister's recommendation, to be appointed a baronet only a few months later.

Once the facts were out in the open, such a plainly compromising arrangement became unsustainable. the end of 1924 both the car and the money had been returned - and poor Ramsay MacDonald was left ruefully to contemplate the damage that can be done when the proper dividing line between politics and business gets blurred.

That episode early this century serves to put into context the present Government's far more peripheral troubles. At least no one stands accused of seeking to suborn a Prime Minister. If there is a sense of unease abroad, it derives from the conduct of under-strappers. But how did British politics get into a position where such creatures (described by Clare Short as properly belonging to the dark) assumed the importance — not to say the self-importance — that now seems to be their established right?

When I started out in journalism 40 years ago, no one had even heard of a lobbyist, a special adviser, or even a spin-doctor. Indeed, I can roughly date when at least the latter two breeds originated. The first Brit-ish electoral contest of the 20th century to whet the appetite of the huck-sters took place in 1959 — appropriately in the Macmillan ("You never had it so good") election of that October. Even so, at the time, the black arts of mass persuasion represented a strictAnthony Howard on the origins of

advisers, spin-doctors and lobbyists

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ly Tory interest. When I wrote a story just a year before that election revealing that Conservative Central Office was employing an advertising agency — the then famous firm of Colman. Prentis and Varley — the Labour Party immediately did its best to engender a mood of distaste mingled with derision. (The unfortunate agency also held the account for Amplex, the deodorant, and a lot of fun was had with the slogan "Even your best had with the slogan "Even your best friend won't tell you.")

But when there is a mood swing in politics, it tends to take place very rapidly. By 1964 the Labour Party, too, had its advertising advisers, even if they were an ad hoc group of party sympathisers assembled from various agencies. But Harold Wilson himself never had much time for hidden

persuaders: it was entirely ical of the plain, blut Yorkshireman side of his nature, that, when he first came to office in 1964, he should have selected as his spokesman in Downing Street the lobby correspondent of his own local newspaper, the Liverpool Daily Post. Admittedly, he later came to feel that he might have missed a trick here, and had his press secretary's role reinforced by the efforts of Gerald

Kaufman. Kaufman, though, was not the original British spin-doctor. That distinction, if such it is, belongs to John Harris (now Lord Harris of Greenwich, and Liberal Democrat Chief Whip in the House of Lords). Having faithfully served Wilson's predecessor Hugh Gaitskell, Harris was allowed by Wilson to stay on as the Labour Party's director of publicity during the 1964 general election. He then went to work for the senior surviving Gaitsk-ellite, Patrick Gordon Walker, who was ejected from the Foreign Office when he lost the Leyton by-election in January 1965. The unfortunate Harris then had to endure some pretty miserable months working for Gordon Walker's prim and prissy successor, Michael Stewart. Deliverance, however, came with Roy Jenkins's appointment as Home Secretary in December 1965 - and from that moment on Harris never looked back. Whatever he did for the Labour Government, his services in securing Jenkins an almost universally favourable press were quite exceptional. This nettled Wilson who, despite Jenkins's pleas, pointedly refused to ive Harris a life peerage in 1970 (he had to wait till 1974).

Of course, what Harris was called at the time was simply a "special adviser", so he has his place at the top of that genealogical table, too. There were not many of those around in Whitehall in the 1960s, though there was a host of them by the 1970s. What changed everything was

Labour's experience in Opposition between 1970 and 1974. Deprived of the fruits of office, Shadow ministers also found themselves bereft of the kind of research support their civil servants had given them. In an effort to miti-gate their plight, the Rown-tree Trust offered some private funding — and the new race of what were orig-inally called "chocolate sol-

diers" was born. So two strands were already coming together — the spin-doctors and the special advisers. But the third, the lobbyist, was by no means yet fully in place. He came into his own as a result of Britain's joining the European Community - Brussels being a bewildering place to bureaucrats, industrialists and trade unionists alike. At least up to that point, however, the Labour Party had always been very sus-picious of lobbyists — regarding them, not without justice, as propaganda arms of the Tory party. It had also had some bad experiences with Voice and Vision, the PR department of the advertising agency of Colman. Prentis and Varley, which in the late 1950s and early 1960s had done its

find the company that she re-mained for dinner and then decid-

TARIQ ALI, that burnt-out rebel,

has accused Trevor Nunn, the artis-

tic director of the National Theatre,

of being a stooge to Tony Blair. Ali

has written Ugly Rumours - Bad

Day at the Dome about an image-

obsessed government crawling with lobbyists. It will be staged at the Tricycle Theatre in October, be-

cause Nunn would not stage it.

putting on a play critical of Blair," says Ali. "Perhaps they are worried about the subsidy." Case for the

prosecution: Nunn was absent

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Play off

hospitable best to seduce Labour MPs into support first for the abortive Central African Federation and then for stand-alone Rhodesia.

All such resentments have long since been overcome. Today, an ex-Labour MP and former Callaghan aide. Lord McNally, runs the public affairs side of Shandwick Communications, while David Hill, employed by the Labour Party in one capacity or another for some 25 years, has just joined the recently ennobled Tim Bell's public relations firm of Bell Pot-

Whatever mileage the party may have made out of the ill-fortunes of Ian Greer Associates a couple of years ago, such appointments today hardly seem to cause a flutter in the dovecotes of new Labour. The few there with any sense of history might well be tempted to argue that the success of such pressure groups as Shelter, the Child Poverty Action Group and the Low Pay Unit left the party with no alternative but to revise its original suspicions of all forms of lob-

That argument, though, is highly disingenuous. Those who seek today to lump together active agents of pressure groups with commercial lobbyists simply muddy the waters. There is all the difference in the world between a single-issue pressure group campaigning, for example, on behalf of the disabled - and a large commercial organisation which accepts clients on the basis of the fees that they are prepared to pay. It is the multiplication of these latter "corporate advisory" bodies that now causes the problem - vastly increased by the apparent need to provide a means of indoor relief for all those bright (and not so bright) young things who only just over a year ago swarmed over Millbank Tower.

It is hardly fair, though, to accuse Tony Blair of having alone created this new breed of miniature Frankensteins. Rather, it is our changed politi-cal system that has brought them into being - and the really disquiet-ing thing is that until last week it all seemed to have happened without anyone really noticing.

Libby Purves will return next week.

Third time unlucky

David Blunkett

warns peers not to block his Bill

ast night the Government asked the House of Commons for the third time to overturn an amendment to the Teaching and Higher Education Bill on the payment of fees in Scottish universities. I want to explain why we did this and why the Government is asking the Lords this afternoon to accept the decision of the elected House.

The Scottish education system is different from the English. Scottish students can qualify for university entry on Higher courses which last one year, while English students have to do two years to take A levels or their equivalent. As a result, Scottish honours degree courses normally last four years as opposed to three years in England.

When Sir Ron Dearing considered the introduction of fees there was an obvious difficulty given the different systems: was it fair for students in Scotland to pay fees for four years to get a degree when students in England would have to pay only for three years? The Scottish Committee of Dearing, chaired by Sir Ron Garrick. thought not and recommended that the "Secretary of State for Scotland should ensure that the contribution from Scottish graduates for qualifications gained in Scotland is equitable with the contribution for comparable qualifications gained elsewhere in the UK. Sir Ron Dearing endorsed this recommendation, and last October Donald Dewar announced that students from Scotland attending Scottish universities would not have to pay fees for the fourth year.

To accept the Lords amendment which seeks to pay the fees of students from England, Wales and Northern Ireland for their fourth year at Scottish universities - would immediately create a much bigger anomaly. If we agreed to this, what would be the justification for not doing the same at universities in England, Wales and Northern Ireland? Why should a student from Northumbria have her fees paid in her fourth year at St Andrews but not at Newcastle? There is, of course, no justification, and that is why the Lords

amendment is wrong.

This anomaly would have significant financial consequences. To pay the final-year fees of the 60.000 or so students in the fourth year of degree courses elsewhere in the UK would cost £27 million. It could also accelerate an unwelcome trend towards longer degree courses. This money would higher education system, and ! simply do not agree that a significant part of the £165 million we have invested this year, or of the new investment we will announce later today. should be diverted away from improving access, providing extra university places, or funding research.

In any case, many students from England, Wales and Northern Ireland will not have to pay fees. Under our new arrangements, students from low-income backgrounds attending Scottish universities - regardless of where they come from in the UK - will not have to pay any fees. A further third will pay only a

So the Lords amendment would only assist students from better-off backgrounds. Nor is this an issue of nationality or place of birth; it is about two different systems. To accept the Lords amendment would be to overturn the judgment of Garrick

and Dearing. That cannot be right. As regards European Union stu-dents benefiting from the Garrick recommendation, this is not of the Government's making and there is nothing that can be done about it. Under a CLU law, the small number of EU students in the fourth year at Scottish universities — about 350 — cannot be less favourably treated than students from Scotland. However, EU students will not be eligible for loans to cover maintenance costs.

I here is no evidence that the policy has damaged applications to Scottish universities. The proportion of applicants applying to Scottish universities from England has risen slightly this year, and applicants from the rest of the UK to Scottish universities outnumber Scottish applicants. There will be no shortage of students on s. mish campuses this

Finally, there is an important ... stitutional issue. It is right mat the Lords should scrutinise it, but having had its advice rejected three times by the elected House - on a matter with financial consequences - it cannot be right for the unelected House yet again to refuse to accept that decision. Any further delay risks the Bill not getting Royal Assent in time for

the new student support arrangements to be put in place for October. The Government is confident of its position, and has listened to the concerns that have been expressed. I made it clear in the debate in the Commons that we are prepared to offer a future independent review of fee arrangements relating to Scotland. This will provide the chance for all the evidence to be assessed, reluding the impact on Scottish universities. This is something on which all those concerned with the future success of higher education in Britain can surely agree. The Teaching and Higher Education Bill is an essential part of that future and it must pass into law

launched her career. The Prime Suspect actress, now powering into her 50s, is to play Cleopatra opposite Alan Bates's Antony in the Royal Shakespeare Company's production of Antony and Cleopatra in London in the autumn. Mirren has never looked back after she so impressed her contemporaries playing the lead in a production by the National Youth Theatre 30 years ago. Still, I always found her accent rather more Southend-on-Sea than Alexandria.

MY congratulations to Michael Grade and Francesca, who are ex-

Lord's folly

AN ARISTOCRAT is flogging a large chunk of one of our finest estates for development in the green belt. Lord Cobbold, whose ancestral seat of Knebworth House (pictured) in Hertfordshire, is to sell 55 acres for an industrial science park. Bad news, this, for two more recent additions to British society: Barbara Follett, the turbo-charged new Labour MP and her husband, the millionaire popular fictionalist Ken Follett. They have recently taken residence in a £1.1 million pad next door. A keen supporter of Friends of the Earth, Barbara is ter-

ribly sensitive to the concerns of her constituents about destroying green-belt land, but she would not want to offend a neighbour, least of all Lord Cobbold, with whom she

is on "good terms". Under questioning, Barbara is typically diplomatic: "I support the preservation of the green belt. There have to be exceptional reasons for any development of this land. I do not know enough about this proposal to comment."

Cobbold has neglected to consult

some of his neighbours, an oversight he may regret. But he needs £9 million to give his house a lick of paint. "You can't stop the world. There is no other practical solution to selling the green-belt land." An ugly alliance of fading old England and shining new Britain?

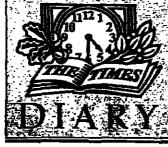
●THE crab compared by John Prescott to Peter Mandelson has been denounced as an intrusive pest. In a new report, Paul Clark, head of the crustacean department



has branded the hairy-clawed Chinese Mitten crab "a menace ... they burrow into everything and infest places they shouldn't". A hotline has been set up should anyone spot the elusive and destructive beast. John Prescott's instincts have never been better.

Bad show

POOR Derek Draper. Before his recent difficulties, he allowed a BBC fly-on-the-wall documentary team to trail him for a week. Paul Dainton, a former Labour councillor from up north who shadowed at the Natural History Museum, Draper during the week's filming,



was unimpressed by his swish young friend. In typical new Labour style, the former lobbyist is filmed shelling out £1,040 for dinner at the Groucho Club in Soho for 15 cronies. "I saw dealings," says Dainton, a chip-butty muncher. "It made me ashamed to be associated with the Labour Party and was an insult to all honest party members." Ungrateful blighter.

● IS CAMILLE PAGLIA (pictured), flinty priestess of feminism, losing her radical edge? Lecturing on Hitchcock the book of the NFT, she let slip her love for an essential old female accourrement: "I'm manlike in all things but I'm addicted to my purse. I love purses." How long before miniskirts and stilettos?

Rich cloth INVESTMENTS in vestments. The Bishop of Bath and Wells has

come under attack following the

commissioning of new vestments and altar hangings for Wells Cathederal. The 63 pieces being made to celebrate the millennium will cost a sacrilegious £124,000. The Rev Andrew De Berry, a clerical shop steward, is surprised: "It seems more like a masquerade than a glorification of God ... he seems more interested in ornamentation than the realities of worship."

But friends of the bishop deny sug-gestions of profligacy: "They will last a long time." But with the average cleric earning a modest £14,000 a year, will the ornaments of the cathedral outlast the faith?

 PERHAPS sceptics have been a little hasty to write off Lord Archer of Weston-super-Mare's chance of becoming mayor of London. Not only was Baroness Thatcher the star guest at his summer party at the weekend. So agreeable did she

Council. Case for the defence: the play is probably tosh. • THE US Embassy, venue for the launch of Jonathan Freedland's new novel, has no trouble with over-gregarious guests. The 200 guests present, including Jon Snow and Lord Hattersley, were rounded on by Marines when closing time came and were courteously but firmly shown the door.

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HELEN MIRREN (pictured), sex siren to the more libidinous pen-



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JAPAN JUST SAYS NO

For the world's sake, the politicians had better listen this time

When Ryutaro Hashimoto became Prime Minister of Japan 30 months ago he said that he would "go down in flames" if he failed to turn around Japan's moribund economy. But neither he nor anyone else expected Japan's voters to light so fierce a bonfire. In Sunday's elections for half the members of the Upper House - a poll that normally inspires little interest - they turned out in force. Before the vote, there had been much earnest talk about whether a few seats more than 61, the number held by his ruling Liberal Democratic Party, would boost Mr Hashimoto, or if one or two less would prompt his departure. The result was no mere prompt; it was the order of the boot. The LDP score was a humiliating 44.

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In burying Mr Hashimoto, it is right to offer some praise. His foreign policies have been courageous, particularly in strengthening the US-Japan Security Treaty. So was his "Big Bang" market deregulation. Like all Japanese premiers, he has had to contend with dinosaurs not only in his own party. but in the scandal-plagued and overmighty Ministry of Finance which he should have made it his business to overhaul. But what counts is that he plunged Japan into needless recession. The voters were right to blame him personally — and dead right to make their views so plain that he had no option but to resign. Without radical action. the mess he has made of Japan's economy could yet drag the world into depression.

On the hustings, Mr Hashimoto cut a dashing figure; he gave the impression of answering to Japan's need for decisive, assertive leadership. But in office, he combined obstinacy with vacillation. It was his obsessive pursuit of fiscal orthodoxy which converted difficulty into crisis last year, when he aborted Japan's recovery through horribly ill-timed spending cuts and tax rises. Fatal months passed before his Government changed course. On paper, its successive stimulus packages since then may have looked like a genuine U-turn, but implementation was slow, piecemeal and

accompanied by contradictory signals that further dented domestic confidence and sent the yen spinning downwards. Each step has been behind the curve, too little and too late; temporary tax cuts when permanent ones were needed, a softly-softly approach to the mountain of bad debt in the banks instead of a decisive spring-clean. But even though Japan has nowhere to go but up, his ignominious departure has set nerves jangling.

That is partly because sorting out Japan's economic mess is on hold while the LDP's factions battle over the succession; and partly because the victor could turn out more damagingly conservative than Mr Hashimoto has proved. Both the front-runners, Keizo Obuchi and Seiroku Kajiyama, are old-style LDP operators; and there is even talk of bringing back such ghosts from the pork-barrel politics of the past as the former Prime Ministers Kiichi Miyazawa or Yasuhiro Nakasone. In this uninspiring list, Mr Kajiyama, a fierce critic of past economic policies, would be best placed to convince the markets and the public that Japan is now firmly wedded to reflation; but at 72, he is not exactly a new broom, and his grip on the party's feuding factions is not strong. Some of the LDP's best brains are too closely linked to Mr Hashimoto to have a chance.

Speed in filling the vacuum may, however, be more important than the identity of the winner. The new Government has been put on final notice to deliver radical reforms, now and not next year or in the never-never, on pain of losing its majority in the Diet as well as the Upper House. The new Democratic Party did startlingly well on Sunday - as did even the Communists, whose platform, unlike the LDP's, was at least coherent. At home and abroad, the pressure is now firmly on for accelerated reforms and a dramatic fiscal boost to demand. Continued stagnation will not be tolerated; and after the roasting it has just had, the LDP may at long last have got the message. That would be wonderful news for Japan, Asia and the world.

FAIR ASYLUM

Computers could unclog the tangles of immigration

The new proposals by Jack Straw, the Home Home Office simply cannot cope. The Secretary, to streamline the appeal system for immigration and asylum-seekers are system involves adjudicators and an immigration appeal tribunal. Applicants unhappy with a verdict in either can make repeated appeals to the courts for a final determination, so postponing deportation ad infinitum. The process is easily exploited by legal aid-funded solicitors who pursue cases of little merit (only 1.5 per cent of the 1,748 applications for judicial review of appeal rulings in 1996 were accepted). And asylum seekers short of legal success can take advantage of the interminable process (10,000 applications launched before 1992 have yet to be resolved) to start families, knowing that whatever their case's outcome, the parents of children born in Britain are unlikely to be denied leave to stay.

Mr Straw's consultation paper proposes only one appeal before notice to leave is issued; by simplifying a complex, easily abused system he hopes to offer a final verdict within six months at the most, and cut perhaps £2 million from a £151 million bill. (Those who think restricting the right to appeal to be somewhat draconian might note that it would bring this country in line with the thoroughly liberal Netherlands.) These proposals are the first part of the Government's projected shake-up of the immigration and asylum system, with a

White Paper due at the end of this month. Yet simplifying the appeals process does not deal with the core of the problem. The

application process is not computerised. Shelves at Heathrow and other major entry thoroughly sensible. The present two-tier ports in the South East, where the backlog is heaviest, groan under the weight of files. A system designed to handle the 4,000 or so applicants typical of the mid-1980s was last year confronted with nearly ten times that number. The result is that nearly 52,000 asylum-seekers are still awaiting the initial determination of their cases; another 23,000 are in the limbo of the appeals process. Perhaps 20 per cent of applicants will be granted either refugee status or exceptional leave to remain. The remainder have no right to stay, yet more than half will do so. Of the (on average) 8,000 people deported annually, many are illegal immigrants rather than asylum-seekers. The bulk of rejected applicants are not deported, Home Office officials argue, because they disappear from bureaucratic ken, yet they still manage to claim social security benefits.

Fundamental, vet simple, reforms are needed. Exploitative asylum-seekers have few friends; a Home Secretary with Mr Straw's populist antennae should easily be able to justify increased funding to computerise a system that puts even the paperobsessed bureaucrats of Bengal in the shade. The Department of Social Security and the Home Office should co-ordinate information, so that those who have escaped deportation could be picked up by the police when they collect benefits. It is extraordinary that so simple a step has not been taken before now.

A TSAR TOO FAR

New Labour's power title comes from Russia with spin

On Friday the bones of the last Tsar will be reburied in St Petersburg. But his title goes marching on, used as a catchword to describe an overseer appointed by the Government to deal with the homeless, drugs and other intractable matters. Yesterday Mr Paddy Heazell wrote to The Times from Saxmundham proposing such colourful alternatives for naming an official supremo as hospodar and satrap. Suffolk is a fossil field of dialect, where the plural of mouse is "meesen". So any linguistic suggestions coming from there must be taken seriously.

However, tempting though the Archon of Anti-smoking and the Bashaw of Beef (But never on the Bone) are as titles, such pomp of nomenclature of power is not the British way. The men who ruled half the world under the British Empire were content with the modest titles of agent and commissioner. Before they arrived, the territories may have had impressive names like wapentake, meaning the clash of weapons made by an assembly to signify assent. But their rulers were plain reeves and lieutenants. A tsar is a peculiarly élitist title for a British official, especially one appointed by a Government that claims to be populist. The people's tsar

is not an oxymoron, but a contradiction. The old Slavic word for Caesar was officially assumed by Ivan the Terrible to describe his rule as King of Poland. And by that Ivan did not mean that the most important person in the world was a member of a Polish focus group. The Russian Tsar was considered to be appointed by God as head of Church and State, his authority unlimited by laws of any kind. His title was originally transliterated from the Cyrillic into languages of the Roman alphabet as "czar". But the first edition of the Oxford English Dictionary recommended "tsar" as having been adopted by the Times newspaper as the suitable English spelling".

Newspapers must indeed be partly resp onsible for the popularisation and emasculation of the august title. "Tsar" fits into a headline in larger type than "demiurge" or "sagamore". And American newspapers first adopted "tsar" as a metaphor to describe an all-powerful figure. It became the nickname of House Speaker Thomas Reed (1839-1902), reflecting his aggregation of power to himself. From him "tsar" came to be used to describe a bureaucrat or powerful industrialist, especially in Hollywood. During the two World Wars it was used in Washington for the heads of key agencies prosecuting or policing the war effort.

And hence Bill Clinton has adopted "tsar" to describe the leader of an official task force with a problematic mission statement. The British Government, eager to copy the President's skill at re-election, has adopted his tactics and language. So the tsar for sink estates may find that his boyars and cossacks have been reduced by the defence review. The tsar for cronyism denial is still working like an anachronistic Stakhanovite. And the Tsar of all the Russias has dwindled to a puff of spin-doctor's smoke, full of terrible history, signifying very little.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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maths teaching

From Professor J. M. Ball, FRS, President of the London Mathematical Society

Sir, The way mathematics is taught in our schools is of the utmost importance, both as an essential preparation for modern life for all citizens, and as the bedrock for those who go on to use mathematics professionally in science, engineering, the world of finance, and so on.

Thus it is heartening that the Goverriment has taken the first steps towards a comprehensive review of mathematics in schools by setting up the numeracy task force, whose final report has just been published (de-

tails, July 9). We welcome the report, and would particularly like to applaud its conclusion that it is worth investigating the formation of a standing committee for mathematics education made up of subject experts. This has long been the policy of the London Mathematical

The Government has been right to concentrate initially on primary school mathematics. We hope that it will show the same energy in improving what is taught in later years.

Yours sincerely. JOHN BALL, President, London Mathematical Society. 57-58 Russell Square, WCIB 4HP. ball@maths.ox.ac.uk

From Mr Alan Millard

Sir, I believe the Government's ban on the use of calculators for children under eight is misguided. Most people would agree that children need to know their multiplication tables and he able to calculate mentally without the use of aids. But in the hands of well trained teachers, calculators provide an additional resource which, used appropriately, can help children to become familiar with processes and concepts in ways that chalk and talk rarely can.

Calculators, like computers, are

part of everyday life and should be seen as complementing effective learning rather than competing with the so-called "tried and tested methods". These have not been nearly so successful in the past as the Government might want us to believe.

Would it not be better, instead of banning calculators, to invest in training so that teachers learnt how best to

Yours faithfully, ALAN MILLARD, 8 Medina Court, Marine Parade West, Lee-on-the-Solent, Hampshire PO13 9NH.

From Professor Sir Bryan Thwaites

Sir, To have seen our Secretary of State of the DfEE struggling, on tele-vision yesterday, with nine times eight, is an amusing sidelight on his edict that calculators will be banned for under-eights and that "setting tables to reggae music ... could be

In 1928 I was in a primary class of some 40 five-year-olds and we learnt our tables to a tune. And as a result, unlike Mr Blunkett, I can give an instant answer.

But all this is quite irrelevant to the world in which we now live and work. I can think of not a single instance in the last 12 months, among the many hundreds of people with whom I must have had contact, when mental arithmetic of that kind was either used or indeed needed.

Will Mr Blunkett please tell us precisely why he now deems it necessary for our youngsters to do that kind of mental arithmetic?

Yours faithfully. BRYAN THWAITES, Milnthorpe, Winchester SO22 4NF.

From Mr Gareth Kirkpatrick

Sir, I would like to remind Mr Blunkett that a well trained parrot can say the times tables. I may only be a student teacher and,

as such, perhaps I have not seen the benefit of chanting times tables. It seems to me that children may well know that four times five is twenty, but change the sum around to five times four and they will not answer.

The chanting of times tables has been condemned since the start of the century. Have we not moved on from the heavily didactic methods of teaching that Mr Blunkett is now proposing? Can he please allow teachers to teach children how to understand not just to chant.

Yours sincerely, GARETH KIRKPATRICK. Lancaster LAI 4XH. garethkirkpat007@hotmail.com

From Mr David Prockter

Sir. "Labour lets go of nanny - at last. The urge to run our lives has been curbed says Mary Ann Sieghart" headline on page 22 of today's issue.

"Blunkett bans calculators for pupils under 8" — headline on page 2 of today's issue. Hm!

Yours faithfully, DAVID PROCKTER, 36 London Road. Marlborough, Wiltshire SN8 2AA. July 9.

Turning tables on Antipathy to plans for Diana memorial at Kensington

From the Editor of Good Gardens Guide

Sir, I wish to add to your sensible rejection of the proposals for a Diana memorial garden at Kensington (lead-ing article, "An inappropriate folly", July 10).

It is hardly correct to say, as does your report on the same day, that "the plans are now on show" at the Albert Memorial, as there are only a couple of maps, no models, and no brief to inspire à designer.

No accurate assessment of potential visitor numbers has been made, except a count for last March which would give an annual figure of about four million. Equally, no assessment of costs is made beyond a loose es-timate of £10 million, which does not appear to cover upkeep and mainten-

The consultation document mentions a formal garden to the south of the palace "respecting" the historic setting, but claims that to reinstate a "formal historic garden" would be very costly. This is surely a project for which, with the right approach, spon-sors could have been found without cost to the public.

The ministers responsible for the so-called consultation document should explain their ideas in detail. This is a site, in the document's words, of outstanding heritage importance.

Yours. PETER KING. Editor. Good Gardens Guide, Nicholas Corner, Sibford Gower, Banbury, Oxfordshire OX15 5RQ.

From Mr Neil Thomson

Sir, For years the west end of Kensington Gardens has deteriorated into a drab undistinguished public park: downmarket children's playground, worn-out grass and spotty trees, Canada goose excrement around a Tarmac-edged pond and a fenced-off

The Diana debate certainly offers a chance to review the future of the park. Why isn't Kensington Palace opened up to the park? Why can't Kensington (and Hammersmith and Chiswick) residents bicycle through the park to the West End on traffic-free routes? Why can't we reinstate George London's 1691 formal garden to the south of the palace?

If there is so much antipathy to a Diana memorial garden why not focus instead on the positive opportunities for historic restoration and the practical needs of modern Londoners which have been ignored for so long, rather than a misconceived shrine.

Yours sincerely. NEIL THOMŚON. Glasspoole Thomson Landscape Architects,

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From Mr Bruce A. Harris

Sir, We already have splendid gardens and an elegant palace in Ken-sington. Those who wish to can perfectly well remember Diana. Princess of Wales, by visiting what exists: indeed they are doing so. What is there to suggest that spending vast sums of money to create a "memorial garden" will give such people something more than they already have, or appreciably increase the number of visitors?

If what is presently planned would indeed attract many people who would not otherwise come to the gardens, then those in charge really must decide how to deal with the additional traffic on the already congested Bayswater Road, Notting Hill, Kensington High Street and Kensington Gore; not to mention the already hard-pressed Underground stations in the vicinity. And they will find that there is no solution.

There seems to me to be a belief among those in authority that they are under an obligation to do something rapidly about a memorial to the late Princess. They are mistaken. Yours sincerely.

BRUCE HARRIS. 104 Ledbury Road, WII 2AH. bruceharris@lineone.net

From Mrs Yvonne Warren

Sir, On Friday I read of the millions it is proposed to spend on the Princess Diana memorial garden, an existing green space. On the same day, the little primary school where I teach in Central London held its sports day. The children have to be taken to an athletics track some distance from the school, which has no cover from the elements and no lavatories.

Even that is a treat for the children. in common with most Inner London schools, ours has no playing fields and only the tiniest playground. Most of the children living in inner cities live in flats and have little access to

green spaces. Surely any money spent to honour Princess Diana would be put to better use by providing the children of Central London with better sporting facilities and more green space rather than by remodelling Kensington Gardens.

Yours sincerely, YVONNE WARREN, Hesters, Long Sutton, Hook, Hampshire RG29 ITB.

From Mr Tim Webb Ware

Sir, Greater respect would be shown for Diana. Princess of Wales, if the fine setting of Kensington Palace remained as it was in her lifetime, and as it was for the many people who went there in the emotive days after her death.

It ain't broke. Don't fix it. Yours faithfully, TIM WEBB WARE, 35 Coniston Court, Kendal Street, W2 2AN.

Ulster conflict

From Mr John McQuiggan

Sir, For the first time since the Reformation, a Roman Catholic Mass was celebrated at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday, July 11, at the kind invitation of the (Protestant) Dean and Chapter. This commemorated the martyrdom of the (Catholic) Bishop of Rochester, St. John Fisher, who was beheaded over 450 years ago because he would not condone the divorce of King Henry VIII.

This historic ceremony was organised by Christians in Kent, whose membership is open to all Christian denominations. How tragically sad that those in Portadown who represent themselves as Christians are unable to reconcile religious differences which arose centuries ago.

The Mass was completed by the congregation of over 1,000 Catholics and other Christians singing with gusto "God Save the Queen". Unfortunately. I did not see any TV cameras tion of United Kingdom Christian loyalism; they all seemed to be employed at Drumcree Parish Church, highlighting the Ulster version.

Yours faithfully, JOHN McQUIGGAN, 7 Meadowcroft, Bickley, Kent BR1 2JD. mcquiggan@compuserve.com

From Mrs Peter Ashley Miller Sir, In 1827, the future Lord Melbourne, then in Ireland, told Canning.

the Prime Minister: Objectionable as the Roman Catholic Association undoubtedly is . . . its evil consequences are still comparatively remote, nor does it tend to immediate disturbance of the peace, violence and bloodshed, as these Orange processions do.

Approval, when forthcoming, is often

delayed, and often in small amounts.

This is not meant to be a criticism of

the English system; a legal aid budget

sufficient to provide all defendants

with a Woodward-style defence is pa-

In the US, the right to appointed

counsel - and where reasonably nec-

essary" to governmentally financed

experts - is guaranteed not only by a

variety of state and federal statutes

but also by the Constitution. Disputa-

tion over the resources afforded the

defendant is thus an openly litigable

matter, not merely a bureaucratic one-

Quality varies from state to state and

Yours faithfully, JILL ASHLEY MILLER, 7 Ballygate, Beccles, Suffolk NR34 9NA.

tently unrealistic.

July II.

Woodward trial

From Professor Richard D. Friedman

Sir. In response to a prior letter of mine (June 30), Robin Simpson, QC (letter, July 7), points out that an English murder defendant is granted legal aid including leading and junior counsel and "whatever expert evidence [is] necessary for her defence".

True enough. But in this context necessity is very much a matter of degree. An indigent defendant, here as well as in the US, would be highly unlikely to have the quality of counsel or expert - or the amount of time of either - that Louise Woodward's sponsorship afforded her.

The research study prepared in 1993 by Paul Roberts and Chris Willmore for the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice amply shows how the need to procure approval from the Legal Aid Board limits the defence.

from case to case, ranging from excellent to shockingly poor, most distress-ingly in some capital cases.

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Sir, I see that the Earl Fitzwilliam

copy of Caxton's first edition of The

Canterbury Tales has been sold for

£4.6 million. According to my col-

league, Dan Mosser, there are some

40 copies of Caxton's first edition,

complete or partial, in existence:

nearly £200 million at this value, or

perhaps £150 million for a bulk

The total expenditure on the Canter-

bury Tales Project, over ten years, is

equivalent to the price of just a few

pages of this one copy of Caxton. Yet

our project will bring the text of every

one of the 88 manuscripts and early

printed editions of the Tales over the

Internet to every interested scholar

and reader: it will not be seen by just a

few people from time to time, as your

In the process, the computer tech-

niques we have pioneered may (at

last) permit us to reconstruct the text

Chaucer actually left behind him at

report today says of this copy.

RICHARD D. FRIEDMAN.

From Dr Peter Robinson

purchase.

his death.

Yours etc.

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Caxton Chaucer sale

Rare bird From Mr James Wilde

Sir, Let's hope the other great natural history museums of the world -Paris, London, Berlin, etc - have their chance to obtain a "type specimen" of the new bird of the Andes (Mind and Matter, July 6) before the species becomes extinct.

Yours sincerely, JAMES WILDE, 29 Florida Fields, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7DL. jw/jw@ajvw.demon.co.uk

Volume control From Mr John O'Byrne

Sir, Mr Don Read (letter, July 10) suggests "carcophony" as a word to des-

cribe the noise of music emanating from a vehicle. It could also be called "motorcadence". Yours faithfully.

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in Rochester to record this demonstra-Library backlog

From Dr Philip Gaskell

Sir, I am alarmed to read that in 1996-97 the British Library acquired 2.4 million items but catalogued fewer than one million ("Voices raised in protest at British Library charging plan", July 10).

If this is indeed the case, the library is going to need a good deal more than readers' fees to enable it to catch up and keep up with its intake.

Yours etc. PHILIP GASKELL (Librarian of Trinity College, Cambridge, 1967-86). Primrose Cottage, Mawgan, Helston, Cornwall TRI2 6AB. philip.gaskell@exeter.ac.uk

Croatia at play

From Mr John P. Griffith

Sir, Your leader "Croatia at play" (July 8) about that country's remarkable recent sporting achievements in football and tennis, despite its recent birth, was admirable.

It would have been even more so had it mentioned the presence of crews from Croatia in two of last Sunday's finals at Henley Royal Regatta (results. Sport. July 6), and the fact that the coxed four from Split actually won the event, and received the Prince Philip Cup from the hands of that gentleman himself.

Yours faithfully, JOHN P. GRIFFTTH, 110 Victoria Road, New Brighton, Wirral L45 21F. joperch@aol.com

Daily dose

From Mr Nigel Rush

Sir, Lady Bowman (letter, July 6) and Sir Robert Sanders (letter, July 9) are lucky to be reminded by their blister packs of, respectively, whether the daily allocation has been taken and what day of the week it is.

The pills I take twice a day have for the last few months been labelled procured from within the EC" and on the two rows of blisters are marked: Lun Mar Mer Jeu Ven Sam Dim Lun Mar Mer Jeu Ven Sam Dim whilst on the flat reverse a foil oversticker has been applied declaring: Sun Sat Fri Thur Wed Tue Mon

Mon Tue Wed Thur Fri Sat Sun Thus it is only on Thursdays that I can be sure I have taken the correct dose, what day it is and, indeed, of the success of the European Union.

Yours sincerely. NIGEL RUSH. Killinghurst House, Haslemere, Surrey GU27 2EL.

From the Reverend A. Glynn Lister

Sir. Dr Natoff is fortunate (letter, July 9). My latest blister pill pack supplied by the local chemist was made in Haarlem. I therefore cannot work out whether to put out the dustbin on MA, DI, WO, DO, VR, ZA or ZO.

Yours faithfully, GLYNN LISTER, Runnymede, Fernleigh Road. Wadebridge, Cornwall PL27 7AZ. agl@btinternet.com



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE July 13: The Duke of Edinburgh this morning visited Kvaerner Cleveland Bridge Limited, Yarm Road, Darlington, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of County Durham (Sir Paul Nicholson).

ST JAMES'S PALACE July 13: The Prince of Wales, Pairon, this afternoon held a Reception at St James's Palace for the Henry Doubleday Research

KENSINGTON PALACE July 13: The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester today departed Heathrow Airport, London, to carry out engagements in the People's Republic of China, Hong Kong

Special Administrative Region, and Japan.

The following were present and took leave of Their Royal Highnesses: The Ambassador of the People's Republic of China (His reopies republic of China (riss Excellency Mr Ma Zhengang) and the Ambassador of Japan (His Excellency Mr Sadayuki Hayashi). Miss Suzanne Marland and Major Nicholas Barne are in THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

July 13: Princess Alexandra, Presi dent of the Children's Country Holidays Fund, this afternoon attenderi a Reception at Société Générale, Exchange House, Prin-rose Street, Broadgate, City of

Dinners

1912 Club

Trust

Meeting

Royal Over-Seas League

Institute of Management

The Mayor of Cambridge and Mrs

Parry attended a dinner held last

night at Christ's College, Cambridge, to mark the 25th anniver-

sary of the Institute of

school. Lord Chilver, FRS, presi

dent of the institute, was in the chair. Mr John O'Brien also spoke

Mr Michael Wyld, Director of the

Camelot Group, was the guest of honour at a dinner of the 1912 Club

held yesterday at the House of Commons, by courtesy of Mr David Amess, MP, chairman of the club. Mr Ronald Smith also

Kennedy Memorial

The Trustees of the Kennedy

Memorial Trust announce that ten

Kennedy Scholarships tenable at Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Tech-

nology during the academic year

1998-99 have been awarded as

follows:

Jacqueline Ashmore (Orie) College,
Oxford, Christopher Connor (Trivity
Hall, Cambridgel, James Cutres:
Worcester College, Oxford), Giles
Edwards (University of Warwick),
Samuel Gregory (St John's College,
Oxford), Flona MacPherson (Universities of Giassgow and Stirling), Polly
Maillinson (St John's College,
Cambridgel, Aidan Oliver (King's
College, Cambridge), Ablgall
O'Suilivan (University of Leeds and
Magdalen College, Oxford), John
Winn (St John's College, Cambridge).

My Peter Facey was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League last night at Over-Seas House, St James's.

Today's royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will give a garden party at Buckingham Palace at 4.00. The Princess Royal and the Duke of Kent will be present. The Duke of Edinburgh, patron and trustee, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, and patron, Outbanquet at Guildhalt. at 7.00. The Princess Royal, preside Missions to Seamen, will attend a world conference at the Hayes, Swarwick, Derbyshire, at 11.00. Later, as Chancellor, London University, she will attend the Beatham 250 Concert at the Bloomsbury Theatre, Gower Street, London WCI, at 7.15.

Luncheon

Rotary Club of London The Austrian Ambassador was the speaker at a luncheon of the Rotary Club of London held yesterday at the Portman Hotel. Mr John Buchanan, president, was in the

Reception Lord Astor of Hever

Lord Astor of Hever, President of the Motorsport Industry Associ-ation, was the host at a reception held last night at the House of Lords when Mrs Margaret Beckett, President of the Board of Trade, presented the MIA awards.

University news Cambridge

and Dr Anton Peter Jacob Middelberg have been elected into Fellowships from October 1.

Birthdays today

The Earl of Arran, 60; Mr Ingmar Betty Kenward, the original "Jen-Martin Boase, advertising executive, 66; Sir Alan Cockshaw, former chairman, AMEC, 61; Miss Vera Di Palma, laxation account-ant, 67: Mr Paul Eddery, jockey. 35: Air Chiel Marshal Sir David Evans, 74; Mr Gerald Ford, former American President, 75; Sir David Hardy, chairman of the trustees. National Maritime Museum, 68; Mr Ultyd Harrington, former chairman, GLC, 67; Air Chief Marshal Sir Patrick Hine, 66; the Earl of iddesleigh, 66; Mrs

Harpers & Queen, 92; Miss Sue Lawley, broadcaster, 52; Major-General C.A.R. Nevill, 91; Mr Bruce Oldfield, designer, 48; Lord

Rees-Mogg, 70. Mr John Sclater, former president, the Equitable Life Assurance Society, 58; the Right Rev James Smith, Bishop of Bradford, 63; Sir Richard Trehane, former chair-man, Milk Marketing Board, 85; Mr Anthony Waterlow, former chairman and managing director,



Osasu Laoham-Eke, from St Paul's Primary School, Walworth, South London, rehearsing for the part of Shylock. He was among 500 children from Southwark schools who took part yesterday in a performance of The Merchant of Venice at the Globe theatre. Eighteen schools each performed scenes from the play

in the Castell Henllys hillfort,

and a different kind of history

can be found in Great Yar-

mouth in Norfolk, rubbing

and recording inscriptions on

tombstones in the Dissenters'

One of the most ambitious

programmes is "The Neolith-ic Revolution" at Buxton Mu-

seum in Derbyshire, where a

prehistoric burial mound will

be built children can then

participate in the burial

eremony itself, the museum

Only two Scottish sites are

taking part in the July events.

but August I will see the inauguration of Highland Ar-

chaeology Week, beginning

with Viking maranders and

Pictish music in Inverness,

and with more than a hun-

Scotland will also hold its

own National Archaeology

Days on every weekend in

September, as part of the

European Heritage Days ini-

tiative, with attractions from

Full listings have been pub-

lished in all three countries by

Details: England & Wales

Juliet Mather, Young Archae-ologists' Club 01904 671417;

Scotland: Caroline McIntyre.

Council for Scottish Archaeol-

ogy 0131-247 4119; Highlands: Highland Archaeology Ser-

the organisers.

vice 01463 711176.

dred other things to do.

Graveyard.

Archaeology

Digging in for the holidays

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent

REAL and simulated excavations, flint-knapping and metal-smelting, ancient snails and treasure trails will all be on offer at the National Archaeology Days this month. Nearly a hundred museums, digs and ancient sites in England and Wales will be open over the weekend of July 25-26, tempting children of all ages with a taste of our Organised locally but co-

ordinated by the Young Archaeologists' Club, the events include a "Viking drop-in day" at Tullie House Museum in Carlisle (with runic writing and tablet weaving instead of rape and pillage), and a rival "Anglo-Saxon activity day" at Skidby Windmill in East Yorkshire, where you can dress up as an Anglo-Saxon and make Saxon pot-

Real pottery, among other things, will be emerging at the Stratton-on-the-Fosse excavation near Bath, while the ning "Ready, Steady, Dig!", a reconstructed dig for children over six, with pre-buried genuine artefacts to find and identify. Near by, the Tower of London has handling of finds on the Thames foreshore and possible guided tours of the moat, and the British Museum a family prize trail to follow. In Hereford a trail will run

all round the historic city, with staff to check answers and answer questions. Flint-knapping in Cleve-

land will be demonstrated by guest knapper William Lord, who will teach hands-on stone toolmaking and prehistoric crafts at Kirkleatham Old Museum, and knapping will also be demonstrated at the impressive Neolithic flint mines of Grimes Graves in Norfolk, with a chance to go down the pits. The Time Machine Muse-

um in north Somerset offers "Mighty Molluses", dealing with snails in archaeology, and further southwest at Trewortha Farm Bronze Age Village in Cornwall you can try all manner of prehistoric crafts from spinning to thatch-Experimental archaeology

workshops in mining and smelting are being offered at Alderley Edge in Cheshire. while one of a dozen attractions in Wales is the Young range of activities at the Roman Legionary Museum in Caerleon, including a display showing how metal detecting done responsibly can be a useful archaeological

In Pembrokeshire, storytellers will retail the epic of the Mabinogion in the atmospheric setting of a reconstructed Iron Age roundhouse

New ambassador appointed

Mr William Ehrman has been appointed Ambassador to Luxem-bourg from September in succes-sion to Mr Nicholas Elam who will be retiring from the Diplomatic

Church news

Archdeacon of East Riding Canon Peter Harrison, Team Rec tor. Drypcol. and Area Dean of East Hull (York): to be Archdeacon of East Riding in succession to the Venerable Hugh Buckingham who retired on June 30.

Mercers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Mercers' Company for the ensuing year:

Master, Mr Richard Kelso Westmacott, Upper Warden, Mr Philip Richard Withers Green; House Warden, Mr Richard Cawton Cunis; Renter Warden, Mr Anthony Edward Hodson.

Brewers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Brewers' Company for the ensuing year:

Warden, Mr C.J.R. Pope: Opper Warden, Mr R.H.B. Neame, Middle Warden, Mr R.R.G. North; Renter Warden, Mr J.H. Wells.

Elections

Insurance Institute of London Mr Deiter Losse has been elected President of the Insurance In-stitute of London from October 12. Mr Peter Ward has been elected Deputy President.

service Professor Tony Glenister

Memorial

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Professor Tony Glenister. former Dean of the Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School. was held yesterday at the Church of St Andrew by the Wardrobe. London EC4. The Rev John Paul officiated.

Mr John Pendower, former Dean of the Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School, and Sir Colin Berry, Society of Apothecaries of London, gave addresses. Members of the family, former colleagues, friends and repre-sentatives of the Charing Cross Hospital Medical School, the Sociery of Apothecaries of London, the RAMCIV), The Tablet and the Military and Hospitaller Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem were among those present.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Jules Mazarin, cardinal and statesman. Pescina. Italy, 1602: Sir Robert Strange, engraver, Kirkwall. 1721; John Gibson Lockhart, biographer of Sir Walter Scott. Wishaw. Strathchyde. 1794; John Frederick Lewis, painter, London, 1805; Edward White Benson. Archbishop of Canterbury 1882-96. Birmingham. 1829: Emmeline Pankhurst, suffragene leader, Manchester, 1858; Gustav Klimt, painter, Vienna, 1862; Ger-trude Bell, traveller, Washington Hall, Co Durham, 1965: Tancred Borenius, art historian. Vyborg. critic, Cambridge, 1995; Woody Guthrie, folk singer, Okemah. Oklahoma, 1912.

DEATHS: Richard Bentley, scholar and controversialist. Cambridge, 1742: Mme de Stael, writer, Paris, 1817: Alfred Krupp, industrialist, Essen, Germany, 1857; Paul Kruger, President of the South African Republic (Transvaal) 1883-1902. Clarens. Switzerland, 1904; Sir William Henry Perkin, chemist, Harrow, 1907: Sir Apirana Ngata, Maori statesman, New Zealand, 1950: Jacinto Benavente dramatist and poet, Madrid, 1954: Faisai II, King of Iraq 1939-58, murdered, Baghdad,

clown, Imperia, Italy, 1959; Adlai Stevenson, American statesman, London, 1967. The Bastille, Paris, was stormed and destroyed by the citizens, 1789. Alfred Nobel demonstrated dynamite for the first time at a quarry in

The campanile of St Mark's Cathedral in Venice collapsed during a safety inspection, 1902 BBC Television transmitted its

Redhill, Surrey, 1867.

first play, The Man with a Flower in His Mouth, by Luigi Pirandello.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.B.L. Denuys

and Miss E.F. Monram The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Mr Philip Dennys and the late Mrs Dennys of Torquay, and Elizabeth, only daughter of Mrs Patricia Monram. of Farnham Royal, Buckinghamshire.

Mr M.L. Dorber and Miss S.M. Mellor

The engagement is announced between Mark Lindsay, younger son of Mr J.H. Dorber, of Salford, Lancashire, and Mrs T. Dorber, of Salford, Lancashire, and Sophie Mary, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C.I. Mellor, of West Hendred, Oxfordshire.

Mr F.B.H. Gow and Miss LC. McGahan The engagement is announced between Ben, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Michael Gow, of

Perthshire, and Lucy, youngest daughter of Mr Brendan McGahan. OBE, and McGahan, of Belfast Mr P.N. Howe and Miss E.A. Browse The engagement is announced between Patrick, son of Mr and

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Mrs G.W. Howe, of Purley, Surrey, and Elizabeth, daughter of Dr C.M. Browse and the late Mrs Mary Browse, of London. Mr O.M. Johnston and Miss C.P. Willis

The engagement is announced between Oliver, son of Mr William Johnston, of Wheatley, Oxfordshire and Ms Mary Crowther-Alwyn, of Oxford, and Charlotte, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Willis, of Gustard Wood, Hertfordshire. Mr B.M.C. Mavroleon

and Miss T. Fazaioour The engagement is announced between Carlos, elder son of Mr Bluey Mavroleon, of Porto Heli. Greece, and of Countess Ascanio Cicogna, of Benahavis, Spain, and Tannaz, younger daughter of Mr Farrokh Fazaipour and Mrs Farideh Alavi, of Knightsbridge, London.

Dr A.R. Nesbi and Dr K.L. Mill The engagement is announced between Andrew Robert, second som of Mr and Mrs Derek P. Nesbit, of Ampleforth, Yorkshire

and Kasia Laura, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John S. Mill, of Bath,

Marriage Dr A.McD. Johnston

and Miss J. Tallis
The marriage took place on Friday, July 10, 1998, at Southport. Merseyside, between Dr Andrew McDonald Johnston, elder son of Brigadier and Mrs Jack Johnston,

of Haslar, Hampshire, and Miss Joanne Tallis, elder daughter of Mrs Robert Clough, of Birkdale,

Latest wills

William Graham Lamb, retired accountant, of Harefield, Middlesex, left estate valued at £3,546,357

Barbara Joyce Leeming. of Holt, Norfolk, left estate valued at £1,389,199 net. She left £15,000 to Our Lady of Sea church, Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk, and shares in her residuary estate between 11 charities.

Olive Sibley May, of London SW3, left estate valued at E816,913 net. STEE VALUET AT EAGLYS MEL.
She left shares in her residuary estate
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London SW3, John Groom's Association for the Disabled, London
Association of the Blind, Hospital of
St. John and St. Elizabeth, London
NW8, St. Joseph's Hospice, Hackney,
Brompton Oratory and the Order of
St John.

Marjorie Harriette Emma Mor-

gan, of South Newton, Salisbury, Wiltshire, left estate valued at £657,454 net. She left £100 to the Church of England Children's Society.

Alan William Oliver, of Scarestate valued at £545,395 net. He left £2,000 to the Scarborough Branch of REMAP GB. Elizabeth Brooks Partridge, of

London W6, left estate valued at She left E5.000 each to First Church of Christ Scientist, RNU, Distresed Gentlefolk's Ald Association. Counsel and Care for the Elderly, and the Hawthorn Trust.

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BIRTHS AINSWORTH - On 12th July 1998 at 3.03 am to Alison and Stuart, a son, Domir Jack, a brother to Alex. BANCE - On 28th June 1998 to Margaret (née Taylor) and Alexander, a besutifu son, Thomas Alexander Chadwick.

Chadwick.

DAVIDSON - On 11th July 1998 at Farnborough Hospital, Keut, to Sarah and Michael, a beautiful daughter, Abigail Jane, 5lb 14koza

DAVISON - On Friday 3rd July 1998 to Robert Davison and Lucy Mumford a son Matthew Nowel PENTEMER VAN VUSSINGEN – On July 10th at The Portland Hospital to Paula and Robert-Inn, a son, Louis Dominic Michael.

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HOLMES - On July 11th 1998 and Dominic, a son (Hector William) .REWELLTAIT - on July 11th in Perth, Western Australis to Joanna (née Clements) and Edward, a daughter, Georgia Jennifer.

JOYGE - On July 10th at The Portland Hospital to Sera (née Mclaughlin) and Matthew, a daughter, Emma, a sister for Martin. recholson – On Thursday July 9th to Melissa (mie Kettlewell) and Year Kettlewell) and John, a daughter Natusha Coco PALMER - On July 11th to Alison and Steven a daughter Olivia Angharad

PETERSON - On July 8th at The Portland Hospital to Lane and Kevin Peterson, a son, Jack Frederick. TAYLOR – On 12th July, to Vicki (née Thorpe) and Peter a daughter Alexandra Graco Burleigh, a sister for Kate. RAND-ALLESt - On July 1st, to Rosie and Jon, a daughter Grace Amelia.

WESCOMBE - On 7 July 1998 in Sydney Australia to Jane (Nee Simclair) and Justin a son Charles Peter McCahon. WHOMERSLEY - On July 10th at The Portland Hospital to Jeanstte and Chris, another beautiful daughter, Gabriella Holly (Ella), and wonderful sister for Harry and Lext. Deo Gratias.

DEATHS

ADAMS - Margaret of Watamu, Kanya, died on the 10th July 1998 in good care at Canini, Athi River, Kenya.

ASH – Jane, pessed sway pescafully in Sydney (Australia) on 30th June 1998 in her 91st year. BALES - George Nicholson, aged 38, peecefully on 10th July at 5t. Raphaels Hospica. Beloved husband of Molly and loving father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Funeral on Friday 17th July at 230 pm at 5t. John the Baptist, Belmont. Enquiries to W. A. Truelove & Son Ltd., 0181 642 3300. Flowers or denations to St. Raphaels.

BEALE - Edward C.B.E., aged 94, pascafully. Much loved father of Trever, grandfather of Andrew, Philippa, Christopher and Nicholas and great-grandfather of Ashley and Emma. Funeral on Monday 20th July at St Paul's Church, Hadley Wood, at 11 a.m. Family flowers only but donations may be sent to John Grooms, c/o Arnold Funeral Service, 891 Loodon Road, High Wycombe, HP10 9TB.

BOYD-CARPENTER. The Rt.
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CLERGE - Mary Bevies

Bunny (née Bood), dearl
beloved mother of
Jennifer, Teresa and
Francia, died peacefully it
Cape Town on July 9th
after a short illness. She
will be deeply missed by
her children, grand
children, family and
friends. Private cremation.
Memorial service to be
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Silvermius Village on July
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service to be held in
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DRAYSON - Nicholas Keith died on July 8 1998, age 49.

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EARLE - Rosemary (Suzy) on July 9th peacefully at home. Beloved aunt of Mairi, George and Belinds. The funeral will take place at Putney Vale Crematorium on Thursday July 16th at 2.45pm. No flowers by request but, donations if desired, to The Royal Marsden Hospital, c/o Chelsen Funeral Directors, 2085 Fulham Road, London SW10 9EL 0171 352 0008.

RLLIOTT – Helen Knox (née Russell) the beloved wife of Stephen and mother of Stephen and and adam and grandmother of Amy and Sam. Died gracefully on the 9th of July at St Peters Chertsey. Funeral service is to be held at Holy Trinity Lyne at Chertsey at 3.00pm on Thursday 18th July. Enquiries to F. Hazrison and Son 01784 432163.

GASSON - John Michael. On July 8th at 5t Bartholomews Hospital suddenly from lenikaemia. Adored husband of Nadine, treasured father of Jane, Nicholas, Sara and Victoria and Emina, deerest Grandpa to Freddle, Caroline, Alice and Thomas, Natasha, Charlie and Charlotta. Plancal Service at 11.00am runers and Charlotte.
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GBBS - David Evelyn on
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HAYDEN - Constance
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Victoria Hospital, Lewes
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friends, Funeral Service at
St Margaret's Church,
Rottingdeen on Friday
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HEAVI – Air Marahal Sir Maurice Lionei, KBE, CB, CVO, died peacefully on Thursday 9th July at The Sherburne Hospital, Chichester, Much loved father of Julia and James, yrandfuther and greatgrandfather and great-grandfather. Funeral service will take place at St Mary's Church West ot many's Church West Chiltington at 14.30 on 17th July, followed by a private cremation service. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to The Mary Howe Trust, C/O L.F. Lintott & Son. North Street. Son, North Street, Midhurst, GU29 9DC.

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HIGGESS - John Norman (Priest), suddenly at home on July 12th . Beloved husband of Jesu, prottd and loving farther and grandfather. Requiem Mass and burial of ashes in Wells Cathedral on in Wells Cathedral on Thursday July 16th at 2.00 pm. Family flowers only, but donation if desired to St Lukes Hospital for The Clergy. Enquiries and donations to Hill & Son, 20 St Thomas' Street, Wells, BA5 2UX.

HORNOR - Samuel Stewart
Francis very peacefully at
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HAME - Betty Louise (née Woollecott) on 8th July 1998 peacefully at home. Beloved wife of Harry much loved mother of Caroline, Harriet and Caroline, Harriet and Henry, Joving sister of Anne and Jo, adored by granchildren, nisces and nephews. Service will be held at 1pm. Wednesday 15th July at Holy Trinity Church Leverstock Grees Family flowers only, denations if dealred to Hospice of St. Francis. Enquires J. Worley Tel: 01442 253485.

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NNOWAES - Phylis, peacefully on July 7th aged 91. Retired Head Librarian of Slough and formerly of Nixty Close. Funeral Wednesday 15th July Vinters Park Crematorium, Maldstone. Enquiries 01233 740367.

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Minseum, and President of
CIETA (Centre
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July 1998. With thanks to
all at the Royal Star and
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kindness. A family funeral
will be followed by a
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KITTERMASTER - Dr Arthur Richsrd (Dick) died peaceivilly at home on 10th July. Very dear husband of Liz, loving father of Joanna, Sara and Amanda and dear brother of Helen. Private cramation. There will be a service of theologiving at St Peter & St Paul Church, Wadhurst, East Sussess on Thurday st Feut Caurca, Wachung East Sussex on Thurday 22rd July at 12 45pm. Femily flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Heemstology Research Fund, Pembury Hospital or Hospice in the Westd. Enquires to Waterhouse and Score MISES 82710

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MARTIN - Stanley Gordon, aged 95 years, formerly of Chefoo School, China Inland Mission (and also of Bristol, East Knoyle, Onturio and latterly Kent) died peacefully on 10th July 1998 at Cornford House, Pembury, Husband of the late Heather (d.1978), father of Elizabeth, John, Alison and Richard, he was a dedicated and respected teacher who will be remembered with affection by many. Private interment followed by Service of Thanksgiving at 2.30pm Monday 20th July at Cornford Lane Fembury. Donations, if desired, to Oversees Missionary Fellowship, c/o T W Bootman Funeral Service, 21 Mt. Ephraim, Tumbridge Wells, Kent TN4 8AA.

MAYHEW - Pencafully on 13th July, Beryl Caroline Roes (née Colman) aged 100 years. For 65 years a greatly loved and loving stepmother and a most caring friend to all who knew her. Private cremation. Arrangements for a Service of Thankegiving will be announced at a future date.

McNelle E-Commander Neil
McNelle DSC RN, died
suddenly but peacefully on
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years. Dearest husband of
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of Andrew and Judy.
Thanksgiving service at St
Edward's Church, Stowon-the-Wold, Glos. Friday
17th July at 2.30pm. No
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Andrew's Church,
Namaton c/o W.I.Wright,
Funeral director, Well
Lans, Stow-on-the-Wold.

McPHAIL - Amile Emma
Louise (Nancy). Wife of
the late Joseph Cort
McPhail. July 12th aged 92
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NUTTING - Prof. Jack
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Devoted husband and
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knowing him. Funeral
family only. A Memorial
Service will be held in
Leeds in the Autumn Leeds in the Autumn details of which will be

PAGE - Basil Henry. Died peacefully at the Ridgeway Nursing Home, Radlett, Herts on Friday, 10th July 1998 after a short illness. Dearly loved husband for 58 years of Elizabeth, father of Anne, Jenny and Antony and grandfather of Jennie, Daniei, Lucy, Sugan, Katle, Elizabeth and Andrew. He will be greatly missed by all who and Andraw. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Funeral at St Andraw's Church, Cuffley, Herts at 2.00 pm on Friday 17th July. Family flowers only, but if desired, donastions please to The Alzheimer's Disease Society. 6/9 Nethercott, Funeral Directors, 20 Aldenham Road, Radiett, Herts WD7 SAX.

SMITH - Dem Phillip Leo OSB. Priest and Monk. Abbet of Buckfast 1976-1992. Peacefully on July 10th 1986 in his Strd year. Requiem Mass at Buckfast Abbey Friday July 17th. at 10.30.sm. RIP.

PHILIPS - Lieutemant
Colonel Hugh Beadnell
Jerwny M.R.E. R.T.R. aged
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UBEE - Air Vice Marshall Sidney Richard CB & AFC died peacefully on July 7th 1998 aged 95. Service will be held at Aldershot ne neid at Aiderahot
Crematorium on Joly 20th
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Reception to be held at
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VALENTRIE - Dr Max
Gordon. Retired
consultant psychiatrist in
Bristol area hospitals died
July 8th aged 80. The
dearly loved husband of
Berbara and devoted
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and Catrions. Funeral July
17th, Bristol. Further
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Son, 63 Westhury Hill.
Bristol BS9 3AD, Tel:
01179 628554.

WRISON - Julian Towler.

Died suddenly on 3th July
1992 Mach loved by his
wife Theima, daughters
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Service 18th July at
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LORD BOYD-CARPENTER

Lord Boyd-Carpenier, former Conservative MP for Kingston upon Thames and Chief Secretary to the Treasury 1962-64, died on July II aged 90. He was born on January 2, 1908.

n an unusual way. John Boyd-Carpenter's life covered the range of political and social eras from the 19th century to the present. Elected at the age of 31 to the House of Commons in 1945 he represented Kingston upon Thames for 27 years until created a life peer in 1972. He then became chairman of the newly created Civil Aviation Authority. For more than 25 years he was one of the most consistent attenders and vigorous debaters in the House of Lords. If he felt he had a contribution to make, he made it - and made it well. Although the calling had not been consistently kind to him, he loved politics.

Long life was a family tradition. Both his father, Sir Archibald Boyd-Carpenter, MP, and his grandfather, the Right Rev William Boyd-Carpenter, Bishop of Ripon, outlived the great majority of their contemporaries. The bishop preached at Queen Victoria's golden jubilee service for both Houses of Parliament in 1887. Many years later he confirmed the present Queen's father, King George VI. He was a close friend of Queen Victoria and for the last 20 years of her life a frequent house guest at Windsor and Osborne. This led him to many friendships with her conti-nental relatives, including her grandson the Kaiser.

Churchill gave Boyd-Carpenter his first job in politics, as Financial Secretary to the Treasury in 1951. In 1954 he promoted him to be Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, a post then not in the Cabinet. (From this vantage point he set in motion the building of something everyone claimed to want at the time, the first motorway, the MI.) He had come to Churchill's notice in the 1945-50 Parliament as a debater with skill and punch and one who cheerfully and effectively took on the tiers of Labour MPs on the Government benches in late-night sittings. To many Tory Members, some in the House since 1935, this pugnacious type of attack was new, even alien. But there was a handful of those who had survived the 1945 landslide who excelled at it

- and Boyd-Carpenter was one of them. Anthony Eden made him Minister of Pensions and National Insurance, another job outside the Cabinet but one in which he fought some notable duels with his Oxford contemporary Dick Crossman, the Opposition spokesman on pensions. (Their paths had first crossed when each did a broadcast for the BBC in a 1935 series called Youth Looks Ahead.)

Boyd-Carpenter served a long apprenticeship before finally being admitted to the Cabinet as Chief Secretary to the Treasury under Reggie Maudling as

Chancellor in 1962. It was only the second time the Treasury had been given two places around the Cabinet table and it is, no doubt, a tribute to the tactful trail which Boyd-Carpenter (in the wake of Henry Brooke) helped to create that this double-banking arrangement should have remained standard practice (with wobbles during the Wilson and the Callag han Cabinets) ever since.

As Chief Secretary, Boyd-Carpenter was at least partially responsible for the ill-fated launch of the supersonic aircraft Concorde. The first official costings in 1962 went straight to his desk.

Even the original £180 million estimate was a shock. Boyd-Carpenter himself thought spending that sort of money merely developing one aeroplane was "quite unsound". Before details went to Cabinet, he spoke to Henry Brooke, his predecessor as Chief Secretary. Brooke was in no way reassuring, saying that, where any technological advance was involved, developers' estimates should always be multiplied by three.

Nevertheless, as guardian of the public purse. Boyd-Carpenter failed to stop the project. At first it seemed as if Julian Amery, the Minister of Aviation, was more or less isolated in support of it. But, ominously, the Prime Minister, Harold Macmillan, kept his own counsel until the Cabinet discussion was almost concluded. Then, in expansive mood, he put Concorde in a world context. Britain was try-ing to get into the EEC and would have to depend on the French, and upon Charles de Gaulle in particular. This was a longterm joint project with the French, of world technical significance, and it could swing the needed support. As for the cost. Macmillan made it look like a triviality. The construction of of Concorde was approved. For Boyd-Carpenter it was the beginning of an association with the aircraft that was to continue for 14 years.

With the Tories out of office after their narrow defeat in 1964, he found himself chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, the Commons' most powerful watchdog. Harold Wilson, a previous chairman, told him that he had the best job available to the Opposition because it gave access to the Treasury and to all the permanent secretaries. It was almost inevitable that Concorde would come up. It did. After the firm agreement to build it had been signed with the French, it was discovered that its range was 500 miles short of the distance it was to fly: London to New York and Paris to New York. A total redesign had to be carried out so that it could carry the extra fuel and accommodate more passengers to pay for it. Boyd-Carpenter's worst fears were realised: the original costs as sent to Cabinet had been proved worthless.

In 1972, having suffered the major disappointment of his parliamentary career this failure to become Speaker, despite the backing of the Government front bench:



Boyd-Carpenter in 1974: his great disappointment was not becoming Speaker

the Opposition preferred Selwyn Lloyd), Boyd-Carpenter left the Commons in order to become the salaried chairman of the new and powerful Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). Here, once again, he was reunited with Concorde. The plane, which even Michael Heseltine as Minister for Aerospace had conspicuously failed to sell around the the world, had become something of a white elephant. To Boyd-Carnenter fell the melancholy task of awarding it its certificate of air-worthiness which he formally did after flying in its prototype to the Bay of Biscay and back.

In January 1976 he was also to have the experience of being on Concorde's inaugural commercial flight to Bahrain. Sitting next to him was the distinguished engineer who had overall responsibility for the engines. As the plane swept down the

runway, this engineer said to the CAA . chairman: "I'm unhappy, I don't like this at all." There was a distinct smell of paraffin from the ventilators. But before anybody could panic, the stewards brought round the Dom Perignon. If economy had never beeen its guiding principle, at least huxury became Concorde's byword.

John Archibald Boyd-Carpenter was a very fit man of medium build, always with a pronounced spring in his step. This resulted in his nickname. Spring-heeled Jack, first given to him as a young man. As a measure of the political world's inability to take him wholly seriously, it stuck all his life. There was a boyish enthusiasm about him that lasted well into old age -- provoking Rab Butler on one occasion to say of Boyd-Carpenter's election to the chairmanship of the Carlton Club in

1979: "You know, to hear him talking about it you'd think he had at least been elected President of the United States." Yet he remained a kindly person who always gave generously of his time when asked for assistance or advice.

The young Boyd-Carpenter's early years were spent in Yorkshire. His father, the ninth child of the Bishop of Ripon's round dozen, married a Miss Dugdale, a member of one of the county's best-known industrial families. As his father's work took him to the Far East a great deal, it seemed appropriate to set up house in Harrogate near to the Dugdales. The children lived in a big, plain house on the outskirts of the town and their mother would drive into Harrogate to take part in the spa's social activities in a smart coach-

John Boyd-Carpenter was educated at Stowe and Balliol College, Oxford, Stowe was at the time a new public school and commended itself to his father, who was by now a Tory MP, because it put less emphasis on games and more on the "cultivation of practical intelligence". At Oxford he followed in his father's footsteps by be-coming president of the Union. Later, he would say that the great benefit of Oxford was good conversation.

fter he came down, his father took him on his first visit to see the former Emperor of Germ any, the Kaiser, Queen Victo ria's grandson. The former Wilhelm II was then living in exile (and in virtual disgrace) in a small house in The Netherlands. It was to be the first of a number of visits that Boyd-Carpenter was to make, ultimately on his own. On this, the first visit (since his father had not visited the Kaiser since his glory days in Potsdam be-fore the First World War), they did not know what to wear and settled for morning dress and top hats. The Kaiser met them in tweeds and a shooting hat. They felt a bit sheepish but the former Emperor redeemed the situation quickly, complimenting them on their formal attire, which he obviously found very flattering.

The impressionable young Boyd-Carpenter found it almost mesmerising to sit down to lunch and, on subsequent visits, to stay under the roof of the man who, as

he put it, had "sacked Bismarck". Early in 1939, seven or eight months before war was declared, Boyd-Carpenter, in the confident way of young men who have done well and are sure they know best, wrote to the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, suggesting the possibility of eliciting from the Kaiser a public denunciation of Nazi atrocities. He himself offered to assist as a messenger. There was a curt re-ply from Halifax's private secretary turn-ing down the idea and saying it would be no more effective than putting up a fence in front of a charge of elephants.

Despite this vein of romantic naivety. politics was always Boyd-Carpenter's chosen calling, even if the law supplied his immediate occupation after Oxford. In 1933 he won a Harmsworth Law Scholarship at the Middle Temple and the following year he won the Council of Education's constitutional prize

Called to the Bar by the Middle Temple he began practising on the South-East Circuit, picking up briefs with comparative ease. But it all ended within a few years as the Second World War intervened. He served throughout with the Scots Guards, his main contribution being to help restore law and order and to re-establish local government in an Italy ravaged by Fascism and war.

In May 1945 word came from his everalert wife that the Tories of Kingston upon Thames were looking for a parliamentary candidate. He was given permission to go home and stay for the campaign if selected but was warned he would have to return to Italy afterwards to continue his work as a soldier. He was selected as candidate by a small group of friendly souls. Next morning came the rude discovery that there was no party organisation. He had just one general factorum, helper, supporting speaker, canvasser and bag carrier. This was Geoffrey Ripon (later Lord Ripon of Hexham), a local Young Conservative who later, as a Cabinet minister, suc-cessfully negotiated Britain's entry into the Common Market, Despite this lack of back-up. Boyd-Carpenter won the seat with an 8,500 majority. He was to hold it comfortably - before handing it over to Norman Lamont - through the next

eight general elections. In retirement he returned to the grassroots by becoming for several years chairman of the Wessex area of the Conservative Party. He was also involved in business as chairman of Rugby Portland Cement, and filled several senior posts over the years with the hotel group Forte. But politics was his life. Nevertheless, in the summer he would always try to get away from London late on Thursdays and head off to the family's country house in Hampshire to pick up his tennis racket or the garden trowel. Growing vegetables was a great hobby and, to ensure that they were mint-fresh for the table, he would bring them into the kitchen encased in a good coating of clay - never a sight welcomed

In 1937 he married Margaret (Molly) Hail, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel G. L. Hall, a warm, supportive woman with a lively intellect. It was a very happy marriage and in 1997 they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. She survives him, as do their three children. His only son, Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Boyd-Carpenter, is chairman of the Ken-sington, Chelsea and Westminster Health Authority. His younger daughter, Baroness Hogg, was head of the Prime Minister's policy unit during John Major's first five years in No 10. His wife and their son and two daughters survive him.

by the cook.

OCTAV BOTNAR

Octav Botnar, former chairman of Nissan UK, died in Villars, Switzerland on July 11, aged 84. He was born in Bukovina, subsequently part of Romania and Western Ukraine, on October 21, 1913.

THE NAME Octav Bottoar became known outside the motor trade only in June 1991, at the

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end of a long and extraordinary career. That morning. 135 Inland Revenue officers, backed by police and eagerly watched by the media, launched a 14-hour raid on the headquarters of Nissan UK at Worthing, along with the homes of Botnar, its chair-

man, and other senior staff. Six months later, arrests were made when Botnar was

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mained as an exile. Two of his colleagues were convicted of tax fraud and one was jailed. The case against Botnar, by then suffering from stomach cancer and heart trouble, was eventually dropped. But he re-mained bitter about his treatment by the authorities and by Nissan, and at the time of his death was still campaigning to

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clear his name with a suit against the Inland Revenue for malicious prosecution.

This messy affair was a sad end to one of the greatest success stories in the postwar British motor market. Botnar had taken on the insignificant Datsun brand (later renamed after its Japanese parent, Nissan) in 1970. Under his nuthless, hard-driving leadership,

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Datsun became Britain's favourite import. In the process, Botnar's marketing strategy brought ordinary middle-income families back to the idea that they could afford to buy new, well-equipped and reli_ able cars.

Born in the Austro-Hungar_

ian province of Bukovina, sup-

posedly of a Jewish mother. Octav Botnar was soon caught up in the chaos of changing frontiers and ideologies of Central Europe between the world wars. He grew up mainly in Romania, which had by then annexed his homeland. At 18, according to his own account, he was arrested there for org an ising a left-wing youth dem-onstration and jailed for three years. He then travelled to France to volunteer for the Spanish Civil War, but he found that the frontier was closed. When war with Ger many loomed, he joined the French Army, was captured, escaped, joined the Resistance and used his knowledge of German to sow propaganda

among the enemy. After the war, Botnar returned to the newly Communist Romania, married Marcela, his continuing support for more than 50 years, joined the party for a year and used his foreign experience for the regime's purposes. He became an industrial bureaucrat and a fixer abroad, finding and buying essential supplies, and trading through companies quietly owned by the Trade Ministry. Like others in this delicate area, he fell foul of the regime in 1960 and was impris-



Botnar: he transformed sleepy Datsun into sleek Nissan

oned for hostile activities until a general amnesty in 1964. when he was released weighing a mere six stone from a forced-labour barge on the Danube delta.

The Botnars were then al-

lowed to emigrate to West Germany, where he became a German citizen. Botnar came to Britain in 1966, probably through his wartime connec-tions, with a brief to rebuild the ailing concession for im-porting German NSU cars. He quickly had the sales multiplying, but NSU was bought out by Volkswagen, which moved the business. An associated franchise for importing Datsuns appears to have been virtually dormant. Only 1,200 reached Britain in 1969.

Botnar signed a new deal with the Japanese in 1970. It proved an opportune moment, for the British had just discovered that cheap, reliable Japanese televisions were better

than British models. Botnar priced the cars keenly, pushed dealers to offer superior service, and set up up his own AFG chain of dealerships. But for tax purposes, Botnar was never a British resident.

By the mid-1980s, Nissan had 7 per cent of the British market the only territory in the world where it outsold its much bigger Japanese rival Toyota. Almost single-handedly. Botnar forced European producers to seek protection from Japanese competition. Sales fell back a little when restrictions were brought in, but Botnar then promoted the campaign to open a Nissan factory in Britain to serve the Europe-an Union from inside. In this he had the enthusiastic support of Norman Tebbit, then Secretary of State for Trade

Nissan's arrival in the North-East was an important

management methods to Britain. But it was a disaster for Botnar. He refused to recognise the inevitability of Nissan gaining control of its own wholesaling and distribution, and so insisted on keeping Nissan UK or selling it for no less than the £l billion market value that friendly bankers put on it, rather than the £300 million it was reckoned to be worth before the British factory was mooted.

Faced with this, Nissan eventually took the alternative route of using legal measures to withdraw Nissan UK's concession and winning over its independent dealers. In the ensuing acrimony, Botnar was about to sign a new deal for Alfa-Romeo when the tax investigators swooped. They alleged, in effect, that Nissan UK had sent profits to Austria and Switzerland by inflating freight charges. Botnar denied

this to the end. Like others of his scarring background, Botnar was a charming but demanding and difficult man, as well as a reclusively private one. He attracted great loyalty but also made enemies. Following the death of Camelia, his only daughter, in a car crash in 1972, he also became one of Britain's most generous charitable givers. He set up a foundation for children in her name, and transferred his interest to charity. He supported not only the children's hospital at Great Ormond Street, but also many other medical

and Industry. projects and the arts. precedent, bringing Japanese His wife survives him.

RASPUTIN FATALLY STABBED

A NOTORIOUS RUSSIAN FIGURE FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

St. Petersburg, July 13 It is reported from Tobolsk that an unknown woman has fatally stabbed Gregory Rasputin, the peasant "fakir," whose influence among society ladies in St. Petersburg has given rise to much scandal and gossip in recent years. The attempt upon his life derives its political importance from the singular part he has recently played at the Russian Court. The son of a peasant farmer of Tobolsk in Siberia, he lived a rural life until about 30 years of age: then, seized with a quasi-religious mania, he started on a pilgrimage from monastery to monastery which ultimately brought him, in 1900, to Kazan. Here he

obtained a letter of introduction to Bishop

Theofanos, the mystic, at St. Petersburg,

Though still a "lay brother," he created in the

Russian capital a kind of religious salon; but

his methods so scandalised Bishop

Theolanos, and also Bishop Hermogen, that

they sought to obtain his banishment. Not

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Such was Rasputin's influence at the Imperial Court that the press was at one time forbidden to criticise him. and a magazine that broke the edict was briefly suppressed.

> only did their efforts fail, but the Bishops themselves were compelled to leave the

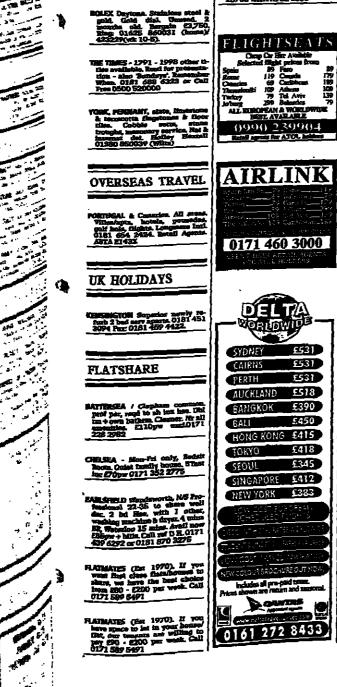
Rasputin had already acquired influence at Court, and the Tsariusa is believed to have attributed the birth of the Cesarevitch, in 1904. to his intercession. Thereafter Rasoutin became a religious "chartered libertine," who was tolerated not merely about the Court but in the inner circle of the Imperial presence. A few years back one particularly gross scandal led to his exile to Tobolsk, but before his departure he frightened the Empress by

stating that "something terrible" would follow his banishment. When the Cesarevitch fell ill. the illness was interpreted as a fulfilment of his warning, and the Tsar, yielding, it is said, to the entreaties of the Empress, allowed Rasputin to return last spring.

The sinister influence of Rasputin has often been left in Russian Court and domestic affairs. Despite the opposition of the Church, which resented the irregularity of his ecclesiastical status. Resputin's position became impregnable. His salons were crowded with all sorts and conditions of people, from peasant women to ladies of the nobility, and

from generals to beggars. But it was among women that his influence was supreme. He himself made no secret of his power over them, and in an interview granted some months since to the Novoc remya described in unblushing detail the amazing attentions he had extorted from and

paid to women of all classes. In appearance Rasputin was a handsome peasant, with long, flowing, reddish hair and beard, of middle beight, broad-shouldered, vigorous and erect. He wore a long kaitan of blue serge, a Russian blouse, and patent leather top boots. Latterly he had affected a certain elegance, though his personal habits remained those of the peasant,



Late acceptance confers no right

Black v Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council Before Lord Justice Stuart-Smith. Lord Justice Swinton Thomas and Lord Justice Ward

[Judgment June 23] Where a plaintiff made a late acceptance of a payment into court in a county court action for personal injury, he was not en-titled as of right to an order of the court for payment out. It was a matter of discretion for the court which should be exercised in accordance with the principles established in the authorities interpreting the corresponding rule in the High Court. Although the iguage used in the rules differed

The Court of Appeal so stated when allowing an appeal by Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council against an order of Mrs Recorder Shipley made in Doncaster County Court on October 23. 1997 in which she gave leave to Mr Trevor Black, the plaintiff in a personal injury action, to accept £2,500 paid into court by the defendants, Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council.

its effect was the same.

Mr Timothy Hirst for Mr Black; Mr John McNeill for the council. LORD JUSTICE STUART-SMITH said that the plaintiff brought an action for personal injury in his work as a council ganger. The claim involved a large sum for loss of earnings.

The council disputed liability and paid a sum into court (i) to protect themselves on a finding of liability and a small sum for general damages and (ii) in ac-

Global Container Lines Ltd v

The power under Order 15, rule 7

of the Rules of the Supreme Court to order that proceedings be

continued in the name of a

substituted party operated

retrospectively notwithstanding the extinction of the original liti-

eant through merger with a new

party.

Mr Justice Rix so held in chambers in the Commercial

Court of the Queen's Bench Di-vision when ordering that the writ

Bahamas and Bonyad Shipping be amended under Order 15, rule 7(2)

by striking out the name of Global

Bahamas and substituting for it

Mr Steven Berry for Global; Mrs Karen Troy-Davies for

MR JUSTICE RIX said that in

1990 the principals of Global

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the name of Global Delaware.

Bonyad Shipping

Before Mr Justice Rix

Hudgment June 12

Social Security (Recoupment) Regulations (SI 1990 No 322) which stated that where a payment into court of £2,500 or less was made it could be accepted by the plaintiff and if he did so the defendants would not have to pay back recoupable benefits to the Compensation Recovery Unit which was otherwise entitled to

The plaintiff did not accept ent and trial was set down for late October 1997. On October 6, 1997 the law changed with the introduction of the Social Security (Recovery of Benefits) Act 1997, which applied retrospectively to claims and removed the £2,500

recover benefits paid where a sum

for loss of earnings was awarded

It was common ground that the effect of the legislation was that if the plaintiff accepted payment into court, the defendants would have to pay the recoupable benefits amounting to over £15,000, to the Compensation Recovery Unit. Three days before trial the plaintiff issued notice of acceptance of

Payment into court was governed by Order II, rule I(I) of the acceptance of payment within a set time limit was governed by rule 3(I). The relevant rule here was rule 5 governing late acceptance.

Two questions arose:
1 in what circumstances should the

ship's judgment, that a plaintiff was not entitled as of right. If he

Container Lines Ltd in the Ba-

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dentical name in Delaware, USA

On August 27, 1997, Global Bahamas and Global Delaware

entered into a merger agreement under which the former was to be

merged into the latter and Global

Delaware was to be the surviving

At that time enforcement

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proceedings against Bonyad, brought in the name of Global

Bahamas' change of address went

an inter partes hearing of gar-nishee proceedings, it was submit-

ted on behalf of Bonyad that

enforcement proceedings had been brought in the name of party who

not a plaintiff or judg

creditor. It was as a result of that

hearing, that an application was

His Lordship found that by

made under Order 15, rule 7(2).

However. on March 12, 1998, on

whether to order payment out. 2 When should the court exercise such discretion and when should it

His Lordship referred to the exercise of discretion in authorities on Order 22, rule 5 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, which was the similar provision in the High Court: see Gaskins v British Aluminium Co Ltd (1976 QB 524); Proetta v Times Newspapers Ltd [1991] 1 WLR 337) and Cumper v Potheoary ([1941] 2 All ER 516). which was a case where the law had changed after payment in.

The plaintiff sought to distinguish those authorities on the ground that the language of Order 22, rule 5 of the Rules of the Supreme Court was different from the county court provision.
In his Lordship's judgment.

while it was true that the language of the High Court and the county court was different, the effect wa applied in the county court as in the High Court It was necessary for the court to exercise the discretion airesh. It

was common ground that because of the change in law the effect of the plaintiff taking money out of court was that the defendants would have to pay £15,000 to dispose of the plaintiff's claim. On its face that was an injustic to them especially when they

denied liability. It was one thing to settle a grossly inflated claim for F2.000 and another to do so for seven times that amount. It might be thought that if the

operation of both the law of the

Bahamas and Delaware, Global

Bahamas and not ceased to exist

despite its merger into Global Delaware and therefore could

remain as a litigant in the

However, his Lordship went on

to consider, if he was wrong about

the continued existence of Global

Bahamas, whether he had jurisdic-

tion retrospectively to substitute

Global Delaware. Referring to the

authorities cited by Mrs Troy-Davies to support her submission

that the court had no power of

retrospective substitution, his

Lordship said that none involved a

direct decision under Order 15.

Morris v Harris ([1927] AC 252),

for example, was not concerned

with the question of substitution,

nor with a company whose assets

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plaintiff was prepared to com-promise his claim for special damages and general damages he

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special damages and thus the Garston and Others v Scotnecessary linkage between that tish Widows' Fund and Life settlement and benefits paid was **Assurance Society**

not established. But, perhaps not surprisingly, the Compensation Recovery Unit would not accept that. Such an Unidement June 25 arrangement between plaintiff and defendant might be collusive to

avoid recoupment by the unit. But if the matter was taken to trial and the judge accepted the defence case on quantum, he would award a small sum and nothing for loss of earnings.

If such a finding were made, the defendants would be in a position to challenge the unit's right to any recompense. That was because of section 8 of the 1997 Act which required linkage between relevant earnings lost and relevant benefits received. If there was no loss of earnings there could be no entitlement to recoupment.

His Lordship was informed by counsel that in practice that was how the unit operated: it would accept the finding of a judge to that effect but not the say-so of the

While it might be said that the disposal of lingation without trial was a desirable end, it should not be used if it involved injustice to The recorder's order plainly involved injustice to the defen-

dants. There was no corresponding injustice to the plaintiff if the order for payment out was

Lord Justice Swinton Thomas and Lord Justice Ward agreed. Solicitors: Frank Allen

which, although there was a

prospect of restoration within two

years of dissolution, such restora-

tion could not be retrospective. The continuation of litigation during the period of dissolution was

therefore doomed to be a nullity.

Mercer Alloys Corporation v Rolls Royce Ltd ([1971] 1 WLR 1520)

nowever, relied upon by Mr Berry,

was a decision directly on poin

involving, as it did, an application under Order 15, rule 7 to substitute

a new company after the assumed

death of the old company which had been a party to lingation.

Although subsequent cases had not placed reliance on Mercer

Allows, they were consistent with

Order 15, rule 7 could, in a suitable

case, give power to substitute another person after the dissolu-

tion of a company litigant. Such a power was desirable and even

justice in such cases.

essary to enable the courts to do

Solicitors: Theodore Goddard;

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Mummery and Sir John

Notice to determine a lease for a

term of years given by the lessee to described the date for the determination was an effective notice because of the application of the test of the understanding of a ble recipient" of the no tice, as laid down by the House of Lords in Mannai Investment Co Ltd v Eagle Star Life Assurance Co Ltd (1997) AC 749).

However, requests by the lessee for a new tenancy under section 26 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 wrongly specifying the commencement date infringed the proviso to section 26(2) and thus could not be effective to bring the

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment allowing an appeal by Mr Eric M. Garston and the other lessees of office premises at 278-282 High Holborn, London from the judgment of Mr Justice Rattee ([1996] I WLR 834) in favour of the landlord, Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society. refusing a declaration that the lease had been validly determined The hearing before the judge took place before the decision of the

ment Co Ltd v Eagle Star Life Assurance Co Ltd. Section 26 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 provides: "(1) A tenant's request for a new tenancy may be made where the tenancy under which he holds for the time being (herein referred to as the tenancy) is a tenancy pranted for a term of years certain

House of Lords in Mannai Invest-

exceeding one year... "(2) A tenant's request for a new tenancy shall be for a tenancy beginning with such date, not more than 12 nor less than six months after the making of the request, as may be specified therein: Provided that the said date shall not be earlier than the date on which apart from this Act the current tenancy would come to an end by effluxion of time or could be brought to an end by notice to quit given by the tenant. . ."

Mr Paul Morgan, QC and Mr David Hodge, QC, for the lessees, Mr Kim Lewison, QC, for the

LORD JUSTICE NOURSE said that the primary question was whether a notice which before the decision of the House of Lords in Mannai Investment Co would have been ineffective to determine a lease had now, by virtue of that decision, to be held to have been

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skilled in the art, there had now been established the "reasonable recipient", a formidable addition to the imagery of our law.

There was a further question as to the true construction of the proviso to section 26(2) of the 1954 By a Jease dated July 10, 1985, the

premises were demised from June 24, 1985, for a term of 20 years at a yearly rent subject to upward only rent reviews at the end of every five years. Clause 7 of the lease gave the ant an option to determine the lease on the expiration of the tenth year by giving the landlord at least six months police in writing.

The lesses resolved to exercise that power and gave the landlord written notice that enclosed a request for a new tenancy under section 26 of the 1954 Act. The writer of the notice made the

mistake of thinking that the time for determining the lease was the expiration of the tenth year from the date of the lease (July 9, 1995) instead of the expiration of the tenth year of the term (June 23,

The landlord, maintaining that the lease had not been validly determined, the lessees issued an originating summons in the Chancery Division claiming a declara-tion that the lease had been validly determined either by the notice or by the request for a new tenancy under section 26.

the time of the judge's decision (see Hankey v Clavering i[1942] 2 KB 326) and Mannai Investment Co Ltd [1995] I WLR 1503)) Mr Justice Rattee was bound to hold that the notice was ineffective to determine the lease pursuant to clause 7.

The question argued before the judge was whether the request for a new tenancy under section 26 was itself effective to bring the lease to an end. He held that it was

In Mannai Investment Co Ltd the majority of the House of Lords decided, as applied to this case, that if a reasonable recipient in the position of the landlord and with knowledge of the terms of the lease would, on reading the notice, have been left in no doubt that the lessees wished to determine the lease on June 23, 1995, but had wrongly described the date for determination as July 9, 1995, then the lease was validly determined on the earlier of those dates.

While it seemed likely that there would be cases in which application of that test would be a matter of difficulty, of greater difficulty than in the application of the test formerly thought to be correct. there was no such difficulty here. The reasonable recipient would have been left in no doubt that the lessees wished to determine the lease on June 23 but had wrench described the date for determ-

entitled to succeed on the appeal. However since the section 26 question decided by the judge was one of general application it was appropriate that it also should be considered.

The section 26(2) provise had m be construed on the footing that "notice to quit" included a notice such as that which was required to be given pursuant to clause 7 see Scholl Manufacturing Co Ltd v Clifton (Slim-Line) Ltd [1967] Ch

Rejecting the lessees' argument. the judge said (at p839); ... the actual words of the [section 20(2)] proviso on their natural construction contemplate one relevant date only in respect of a given tenancy ... the date on which, as at the date of the request under section 26(1). the existing tenancy could be brought to an end by notice to quit given by the tenant. Thus, in the case of a tenancy granted for a term of years exceeding one year. the date for the commencement of a new tenancy cannot be earlier than the date on which the current tenancy would, apart from the Act of 1954, come to an end by effluxion

The judge was correct and the lessees' argument on that point was rejected.

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Lord Justice Mummery and Sir John Vinclott agreed. Solicitors: Reynolds Porter Chamberlain: Freshfields

Finance irrelevant in making disabled facilities grant

Regina v Birmingham City Conneil, Ex parte Mohammed

Before Mr Justice Dyson Uudement June 12

Financial resources were not relevant when a local authority was deciding whether to provide some-one with a disabled facilities grant under section 23(1) of the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996.

Mr Justice Dyson so held, sitting in the Oueen's Bench Division, in allowing the application of Taj Mohammed for judicial review by way of certiorari of the decision of Birmineham City Council to take account of financial resources when deciding whether to offer him a disabled facilities grant. Section 23 of the 1996 Act

provides: "(I) The purposes for which an application for a disabled facilities grant must be approved . . . are the following — (a) facilitating access by the disabled occupant to and from the dwelling or the building in which the dwelling or, as the case may be, flat is situated: (b) making the dwelling or building

other persons residing with him: ici facilitating access by the dis-abled occupant and other persons residing with him . . . Il) such other purposes as may be specified by order of the secretary of state. 'Q! An application for a disabled

facilities grant may be approved ... for the purpose of making the dwelling or building suitable for the accommodation, welfare or employment of the disabled occupant in any other respect. . . Mr Stephen Knafler for the

applicant: Mr Christopher Baker for Birmingham. MR JUSTICE DYSON said

that, save to the extent that they were expressly authorised or re-quired by the 1996 Act to have regard to resource considerations. local housing authorities were not entitled to take resources into account in deciding whether or not to approve a disabled facilities grant for section 23(1) purposes. In enacting the 1996 Act. Par-

liament chose to downgrade statutory duties to discretions in relation to the approval of other types of grant, save for disabled

safe for the disabled occupant and facilities grants for section 23(1) purposes

In making the decision to treat section 23(1) disabled facilities grants differently, it recognised the importance of obliging local housing authorities to approve grants to disabled occupants whose applications fulfilled the purposes enumerated in section 23(1).

Parliament had chosen to impose a statutory duty in relation to disabled facilities grants within section 23(1) purposes. The court should be slow to downgrade such a duty into a mere discretion over which the court would have very little control.

If Parliament wished to redirect public expenditure on meeting the needs of disabled occupants of buildings, then it was for Parliament so to provide.

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Soldiering on with a mission to explain the Roman Conquest

Christian Dymond meets a man with an idea 2,000 years in the making

these days Roman soldiers plan that was good enough for him are not quite so much in evidence on Hadrian's Wall as they once were. But Jeff Barnett

still keeps the standard flying. His business, a one-man Roman army, is dedicated to extending the frontiers of knowledge about the Romans and their occupation of Britain. Thus his corporate dress is suitably styled: a Roman helmet, tunic, breeches, sandals, sword and

He lives within a slingshor's distance of Hadrian's Wall. on the border of Cumbria and Northumberland, and for some years worked -- mainly as a groundsman - at the nearby Roman site of Vindolanda and the Roman Army Museum at Greenhead.

"Three years ago I was made redundant from the museum and decided to set this business up. I'd learnt a lot about the Romans and had some experience of talking to visiting groups so I felt I could make a living out of bringing the

Romans to life," says Mr Barnett. He spent £1,800 of his redundancy money on two suits of Roman armour, two shields, two swords, two helmets, some spears and pairs of sandals made by a local armourer, at the same time as seeking help from Business Link Cumbria in Carlisle.

There he joined a "new start scheme" for unemployed people wanting to become self-employed and after a series of training workshops he produced a business

to qualify for assistance through the European Social Fund. Whatever he earned in the week up to a certain level was deemed to be 55 per cent of his salary, with the fund matching the other 45 per cent.

Coverage in his local newspaper, combined with the school contacts he had made over the years, gave his business the impetus it needed. Today Mr Barnett travels as far as the Midlands and Edinburgh to give talks about the Romans, with most equipment packed inside his car but spears on the roofrack. He tries to shine his armour every night when he comes home.
"My talk is geared to explaining

why the Romans came to this country, why they were successful, how their weaponry evolved and how their Empire expanded," says Mr Barnett, He always appears in uniform, although he usually removes his helmet once the initial impact is made.

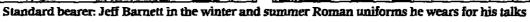
The big draw is that youngsters and others can try the armour on themselves and get a feel of the swords, shields, slingshots and spears. Roman toilet paper - a sponge on the end of a stick - is something he brings out if attention is waning. At the moment his armourer is making another uniform, this time to fit the size of a seven-vear-old.

About half of Mr Barnett's business is in schools and the rest is split between Scout groups, youth hostels, hotels and women's insti-

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and-a-half years, even though 47





tutes. Over the summer he will also be working at the Roman sites at Corbridge in Northumberland and Birdoswald in Cumbria.

"He's a real character. He's got an amazing enthusiasm for his subject and the ability to transfer that to any audience which comes his way," says Adam Slade, the manager at Birdoswald. Ian Berry, executive manager at Business

Link Cumbria in Carlisle, adds: "He has a unique product and a unique way of putting it over."

What Mr Barnett earns in a day varies considerably. He might charge £30 for an evening talk in a vouth hostel down the road or make £120 from a visit to two schools in Edinburgh. He accepts that the rates are on the modest side but says many groups might not be able to afford him if he charged

In any case, he would not trade in his job for the world. "I've been a joiner, a paint sprayer, an RAC patrolman, a truck driver and a groundsman and this is the best thing I've ever done," he says.

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by Alex Lawrie, the business fi-

nance specialist. It says nearly half

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will not exercise their right to claim "Businesses need to recognise interest at 8 per cent above base rate on overdue bills and a little more than half believed that charging interest could result in lost customers. Even companies that said they would enforce their rights admitted

Warnings increase as small firms fail to take bug seriously

DESPITE dire warnings from the Government and advisers, small and medium businesses are still not taking the millennium bug seriously. New warnings have been issued by as disparate a selection of organisations as Business Link Surrey, the Institute of Personnel and Development and Barclays Bank.

Business Link Surrey argues that smaller companies will be among the worst affected because they lack the resources and support necessary. It has joined forces with the county's training and enterprise council (Tec) to warn the 35,000 small and medium businesses in Surrey that they could be out of business in 18 months.

Business Link Surrey's computer diagnostic service is available from 18 Business Links around the country. The service assesses the problems facing individual businesses and provides an action plan highlighting the most important areas to be tackled first.

The Tec is offering funding for "bug buster" training courses. Small companies who cannot afford their own trained millennium bug expert can band together to

Andy Still, who is responsible for the Business Link programme, says: "The millennium bug is an issue that affects all businesses. whatever their size, and they need to act now before it is too late. Ignoring the problem is not an option but I'm afraid this is the course too many small and medium businesses are taking, partly because they are unaware of the support available.

Businesses should contact their local Business Link to find out what support there is and for advice on the best way to tackle the problem. "Every company needs to assess carefully what the position is. If they get it wrong, the outcome could be disastrous.

that the bug will affect more than just computer equipment. Anything electrical from telephone systems to faxes to lifts, fire detectors and security systems may

He points out that larger companies will not allow suppliers to jeopardise their business. Suppliers who cannot show that they are following a structured and effective programme to deal with the bug will lose out. Members of the Institute of Personnel and Development were also warned that smaller companies are lagging behind big employers in tackling the bug. Keith Adams, a consultant with Action 2000, the Governmentbacked body trying to raise aware-

ness of the issue, told a two-day

conference in London that there

were potentially disastrous conse-

quences for personnel systems. Barclays Bank says that more than 60 per cent of small businesses are not planning to take any action to prepare for the millenni-

um bug in the next 12 months.

Mike Davis, managing director
of small business banking, believes complacency about the issue could have disastrous consequences for the small business sector.

He says: "The millennium bug is not just a PC issue. All firms, regardless of whether or not they own a PC, may still face a business risk through non-compliance of their suppliers and customers.

"If a major client or supplier has a computer system that will not work in the [new] millennium, the effects on a small business could be severe. Invoices may not be paid on time or problems could be experienced ordering and receiving stock. Unlike many larger businesses, small firms are often reliant on only a small number of suppliers and customers, making late payment and stock control issues extremely critical."

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at least five years.

30 per cent of their IT vacancies for

per cent of firms are reporting

better sales turnover and employment levels than at this time last year, according to NatWest Bank's latest quarterly survey of small businesses.

□ A new and longer version of Optimism among small busi- How to apply for grants, loans businesses to use the Internet was

and other sources of finance has been produced by Gee Publishing. It is written by Harris Rosenburg. a member of the Institute of Management, and is available at £40 by calling 0171-393 7400.

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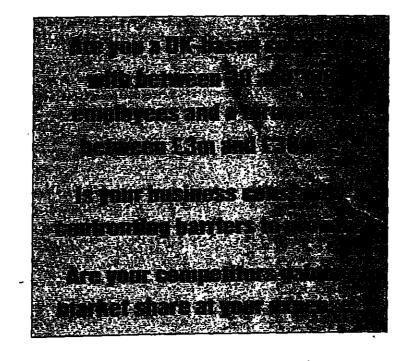
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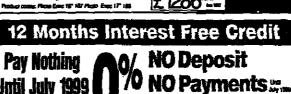


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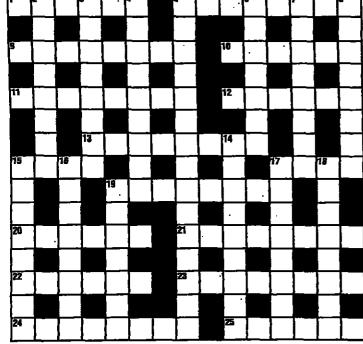
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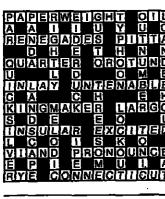
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☐ General: England, Northern Ireland and Wales will have some sunshine but

showers are possible this afternoon, especially in West Wales and the West Country. Scotland will have sunny spells and scattered showers. El London, SE, Cent S&N, E, NE England, E Anglia, E Midlands, Channel Is: sunny spells but isolated showers this afternoon. Cool westerly

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L. W. Midlands, N. Wates, N.W. England, Lakes, to Mr. sunny speils, then clouds will bring a few showers. Cool westerly breeze. Max 18C (64F).

S.W. England, S. Welest scattering of showers after early sunny spells. Westerly breeze. Max 19C (66F).

Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland:

sunny spells and showers. Strong NW wind easing. Max 19C (66F).

SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Cent. Highlands, Argyll: showers and surmy spells. Fresh NW wind easing. Max 17C

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Ontoney, Shetland: sunny intervals and a few showers. Strong NW wind easing. Max 14C (57F).

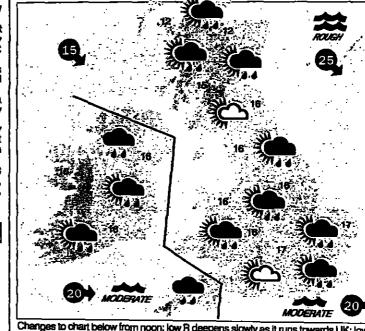
N I reland: occasional showers but a few sunny intervals. Moderate westerly wind. Max 17C (63F).

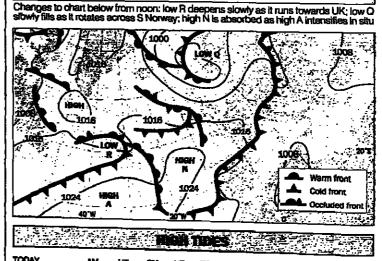
Outlook: sunny intervals and a few showers in morrow. rain later in West

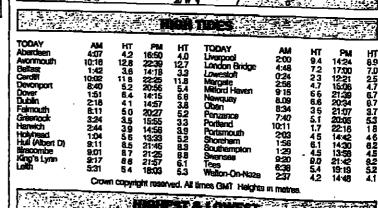
showers tomorrow; rain later in West Country. Rain spreading from west on Thursday. Still changeable on Friday. ☐ Pollen forecast: low — N and S Scotland, N Ireland, NW, NE England, N Wales; moderate — E and W Midlands, London; high in all other regions.

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